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TO SAC ATLANTA  
FROM DIRECTOR FBI

RE CONGRESSMAN JAMES C. DAVIS, ATLANTA, GA. AT THREE FORTY FIVE PM SUNDAY, THREE SIXTEEN FIFTY EIGHT, ON HIS PROGRAM QUOTE THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON UNQUOTE, DAVIS WILL SPEND FIVE MINUTES MAKING REMARKS RE DIRECTOR'S BOOK QUOTE MASTERS OF DECEIT UNQUOTE AND FBI. YOU SHOULD HAVE SOMEONE VIEW THIS PROGRAM ON TV AND SUTEL BRIEF SYNOPSIS OF REMARKS MADE BY DAVIS.

cc-Mr. Jones (detached)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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March 14, 1958

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Mr. A. Harold Noon  
Publisher  
Business Digest  
681 Market Street  
San Francisco 5, California

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Dear Mr. Noon:

In accordance with your letter dated March 11, 1958, it is a pleasure to enclose a photograph for publication with Mr. [redacted] review of my book, "Masters of Deceit," in your magazine.

Sincerely yours,

MAILED 9  
MAR 14 1958  
COMM-FBI

J. Edgar Hoover

REC'D-READING ROOM  
FBI  
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Enclosure  
Photograph #11-12

cc - San Francisco, with copy of incoming.

NOTE: Noon apparently is identical with the A. Harold Noon who wrote the Director in 1937 as Publisher of the Arcadia, California, "Tribune" to advise of his opposition to crime and corruption. In 1948, A. Harold Noon of the Catholic War Veterans of the United States was listed among the persons whom the Senate Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities in California approved as members of its Citizens' Advisory Committee. Title of correspondent as owner not being used in address. Lee's review of Director's book is favorable.

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# BUSINESS DIGEST

Incorporating

PACIFIC COAST BUSINESS and SHIPPING REGISTER

WORLD-WIDE CIRCULATION

A. HAROLD NOON  
OWNER AND PUBLISHER

March 11, 1958

Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Boardman  
Mr. Belmont  
Mr. Mohr  
Mr. Nease  
Mr. Parsons  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Tamm  
Mr. Trotter  
Mr. Clayton

681 MARKET STREET  
SAN FRANCISCO 5, CALIFORNIA  
EXBROOK Miss Gandy

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,  
Director, FBI.,  
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

Please send me by return mail a copy of your latest photograph for publication in the March 31 issue of my magazine .

I want to run your picture with   
(INS) review of your book, "Masters of Deceit."

Thanking you in advance,

I am,

Sincerely,

*A. Harold Noon*

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March 13, 1958

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Miss [redacted]  
3227 N Street, Northwest  
Washington 7, D. C.

Dear Miss [redacted]

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It was kind of you to write on March 10, 1958, regarding my new book, "Masters of Deceit," and I want you to know it will be a pleasure for me to autograph copies of it to you and your nephews upon receipt of your books.

With sincere thanks for your generous remarks,

Sincerely yours,  
J. Edgar Hoover

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*Jan*  
*Glenn*  
*W.A. Rife*  
*W.A.*

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March 10, 1958

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Boardman	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Nease	<i>[Signature]</i>
Mr. Parsons	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tamm	
Mr. Trotter	
Mr. Clayton	<i>[Signature]</i>
Tele. Room	
Mr. Holloman	
Miss Gandy	

*[Large Signature]*

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
9th & Pennsylvania, N.W.  
Washington, D. C.

Honorable Sir:

Today's editorial page of The New York Daily News (which I buy everyday because it is the only news sheet not tainted by the "pinko" tinge) carried a beautiful story in your book "Masters of Deceit."

I immediately called a friend of mine - one [Redacted] - who recently bought out a book shop called, [Redacted] at 1713 Eye St., N.W. - ordering 3 copies.

Yours truly is just a "little" person, operating a "one man concern" dressmaking and designing under my first name "Juliene" but have always been a devotee of J. Edgar Hoover" and feel as long as he exists the good old USA is safe.

My main purpose in writing you is to see if you will autograph my books when I get them - one for myself - 2 for youngsters in the family at the "formative years (I am an old maid but have some fine nephews - one in particular - a brilliant boy [Redacted] now attending Rensselaer P.I. (Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute) - his first year - but a deep thinker and in the right way - [Redacted] happens to be of Holland Dutch [Redacted] and English on his father's side - his mother is one of my Rio sisters and we are of Norman French and 1/8 Mohaw Indian but we are all American and literally idolize "J. Edgar Hoover"

I know you are terribly pressed for time but it would be the biggest thrill this old gal ever experienced (53) to shake the hand of the Hon. J. Edgar Hoover and obtain his autograph on my books.

Very truly

s/ [Redacted]  
3227 N. St., N.W.  
Washington 7, D. C.  
Tel. Ad 2-4826

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Hon. J. Edgar Hoover  
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Bureau files reflect in June, 1947, [redacted]  
[redacted] publicity specialist, Wash, DC,  
reported to a representative of Military Intelligence  
that she believed an espionage ring centered around  
the activities of [redacted] Washington attorney.  
[redacted] linked [redacted] secretary  
in the office of the Attorney General [redacted]  
[redacted] and stated on a certain occasion  
[redacted] invited [redacted] to a party which  
was also attended by [redacted]  
No other references located in Bureau files to  
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MR. JONES

March 10, 1958

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Mr. Mohr	_____
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[Redacted]  
 Hon. J. Edgar Hoover  
 Federal Bureau of Investigation  
 9th & Pennsylvania NW  
 Washington DC

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March 11, 1958

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Right Reverend Monsignor   
Our Sunday Visitor  
30 North Dearborn Street  
Chicago 2, Illinois

Dear Monsignor:

Your review of "Masters of Deceit" which appeared in Our Sunday Visitor on March 9, 1958, has been brought to my attention, and I wanted to drop you this note to express my sincere appreciation.

It is encouraging to know that the book was so well received by you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: No data in Bufiles identifiable with  which would preclude writing this letter.

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MAILED 9  
MAR 12 1958  
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# Balancing the Books

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## THE RED STORY

WITH all the resources and records of the FBI at his disposal, J. Edgar Hoover, director of that agency, is one of the best informed Americans on the subject of Communism. In his new book, *Masters of Deceit* (Holt, \$5), he sets out to relate "the story of Communism in America" and to indicate "how to fight it."

The first part of the work is historical, summarizing the beginnings of Communist theory and the Communist party, the revolution in Russia and its aftermath, Stalin's career, and Communist organization, propaganda, and activity in this country.

Then follows a pithy treatment of such matters as the identity of American Communists, why people become Communists and why some quit, what life as a member of the party is like (eye-opening, this) and the whole gamut of Communist enterprise in the U.S.A. The reader is told what, concretely, he can do to counter this massive, relentless, and unscrupulous force of subversion.

This temperate, factual book is, in its unpretentious way, highly informative. It knowledgeably comes to grips with something of prime importance but rather little understood by the ordinary citizen.

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OUR SUNDAY VISITOR

Chicago, Illinois

March 9, 1958

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March 14, 1958

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Mr. [redacted]  
3215 FORUMS ROAD  
Westmoreland  
Wilmington 6, Delaware

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter of March 10, 1958, with enclosure, has been received, and I am pleased to learn of your interest in my book, "Masters of Deceit." If you will forward your book to me, I will be happy to autograph it for you. The postal card you enclosed is being returned herewith.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

MAR 14 3 21 PM '58  
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Enclosure

Postal card enclosed by correspondent.

NOTE: Bureau files reflect no information identifiable with Mr. [redacted] on the basis of the information furnished in the incoming letter. Bufiles [redacted] reflect no record of a [redacted] Bufile 87-1-3-1143 on [redacted] [redacted] reflects no unfavorable information, and may possibly be identical with the correspondent.

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[Redacted]  
3212 FORDHAM ROAD  
WESTMORELAND  
WILMINGTON 6, DELAWARE

- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Boardman \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Parsons \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Clayton \_\_\_\_\_
- Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Holloman \_\_\_\_\_

March 10, 1958

My dear Mr. Hoover:

I am a collector of first editions  
get a great deal of pleasure getting my  
books inscribed by their Author.

I have a copy of your most interesting  
book "Masters Of Deceit" and am writing  
to find out if you will inscribe my copy  
of your book.

If you will inscribe it, I will send the  
book, so wrapped, that the second wrapper  
will have my address and the necessary  
postage for its return.

Enclosed find post post card for your  
reply. Please show your address.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

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CRIME REC.

FROM  
 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
 to  
 Official indicated below by check mark

Mr. Tolson  
 Mr. Boardman  
 Mr. Nichols  
 Mr. Nease  
 Mr. Rosen  
 Mr. Tamm  
 Mr. Trotter  
 Mr. W.C. Sullivan  
 Mr. Casper  
 Mr. Callahan  
 Mr. Conrad  
 Mr. DeLoach  
 Mr. Evans  
 Mr. Gale  
 Mr. Rosen  
 Mr. Sullivan  
 Mr. Tavel  
 Mr. Trotter  
 Mr. Tele. Rm.  
 Mr. Holmes  
 Miss Gandy

MEMORANDUM

Attorney General .....	<input type="checkbox"/>
Deputy Attorney General .....	<input type="checkbox"/>
First Assistant Deputy Attorney General .....	<input type="checkbox"/>
Executive Office For U. S. Attorneys .....	<input type="checkbox"/>
Executive Office For U. S. Marshals .....	<input type="checkbox"/>
Solicitor General .....	<input type="checkbox"/>
Executive Assistant to the Attorney General .....	<input type="checkbox"/>
Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust .....	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Director, Office of Alien Property .....	<input type="checkbox"/>
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*Michael J. Reent*

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From The Hall Syndicate, Inc.  
342 Madison Avenue, New York 17, N.Y.  
FOR RELEASE ON RECEIPT

3/7/58

INSIDE LABOR  
THE VICTOR RIESEL COLUMN

By Victor Riesel

Inside the Communist Party for many years novelist Howard Fast was a soft spoken man-island of sensitive calm in the midst of whirlwinds of political violence. Many comrades came to him before he swirled away from the Party. One who sought him out was a national leader who complained bitterly that the Communists had some \$2,000,000 cached away, but let the man rot in jail for eight months rather than give the impression the Party could easily raise a \$20,000 bail bond.

Neither Howard Fast nor I have counted the Moscow gold blocks in some private underground Fort Knox. There is good reason to believe, however, that the Communist Party still is heavily financed and still has a network strung across the land. How it works only one man, J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the FBI, really knows. To him are funneled the reports of scores of sophisticated Bureau agents and their informants.

Now J. Edgar Hoover has written a book, "Masters of Deceit," published by Henry Holt, Monday, March 10. In it trace the story lines of a thousand exciting cloak-and-dagger adventures -- each proving Mr. Hoover's thesis that a man may walk like a man in a tweedy jacket and pipe, and a girl can amble daintily and wear the trimmest polka-dotted blouse and skirt, but they can be -- and some are -- spies, working for the Soviet state within our state, infiltrating plants to sabotage our defense industries or providing havens for Kremlin couriers passing through the U.S. on secret Soviet missions.

If an underground Communist reads this, he's in for a sure case of the jitters. For here J. Edgar Hoover confirms that the FBI knows the underground's techniques and jargon.

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On some of the book's swift pages we are told that an underground Communist is considered "dirty" if it is believed that the FBI is suspicious of him. If this checks out, the secret Communist operative goes through a protective process called "dry-cleaning." Or he is furloughed "upstairs" -- into the open Communist Party -- until the heat is off. Or he is put in a "deep freeze" for a year in some trusted comrade's home where there is no family, no maid, no doorman and no elevator operator who might become curious.

The underground Communist state has its own police, its own courts and its own punishments. For example, one Communist with an underground assignment, which kept him away from his family for some time, secretly saw his wife against Party orders. Remember, this man is an American citizen. The Party discovered the visit. He was hauled up on charges before a "people's court" sitting in some underground rendezvous and was severely punished.

The underground Party has its roving police inspectors, Mr. Hoover says. They make spot checks, suddenly stopping one of their agents on the streets or dropping in on his new home, room or office in a business set up as a front.

No one is permitted to break discipline. Not even to see his polic-stricken child, as Mr. Hoover discloses. The orders are strict. American citizens with underground assignments for the Russians are ordered even to change appearances, get their faces remade, to gain forty pounds, or lose them "so that not even a wife would recognize" the operatives.

These passionate Party disciples sometimes leave their homes for years. They are told how to dress, how to set themselves up in small towns, how to recreate a social and sexual existence, how to use store windows as mirrors and, how drive cars at slow and high speeds to escape detection.

Mr. Hoover describes a number of groups within the Party, how the Party holds its identification sessions. It took the Party six weeks, recently, to bring 20 important Communists together for a national underground conference. The use of "rear-guards," lookouts and paper pickers upon whom no notes are left behind is described. Mr. Hoover wrote this book because, in his own words:

"The Communist Party, never forget, is a state within a state. It has its own system of 'courts,' legislative assemblies, schools and press. It enforces its own laws, has its own standards of conduct, and offers its own road to Utopia. The Party member may physically reside in the U.S., but he 'lives' in a Communist world..The Party's objective is to produce a 'politically mature' comrade -- 'Communist man' -- who will work ceaselessly for the revolution that would make our United States part of the Soviet system."

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**CHANGED TO**

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MAR 26 1958

*King*

62-104277-216

March 17, 1958

Mrs.   
Route 2  
Carterville, Illinois

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EX-128

Dear Mrs.

Your note postmarked March 12, 1958, regarding my book, "Masters of Deceit," is deeply appreciated. If copies of it are not available at your local bookstore, you may desire to obtain one from the publisher, Henry Holt and Company, Inc., 383 Madison Avenue, New York 17, New York.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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MAR 17 1958  
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CHURCH SCHOOL

Be sure to Come  
Next Sunday

I WILL ARISE AND GO Luke 15:18 a

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# POST CARD

FOR CORRESPONDENCE

FOR ADDRESS ONLY

Place  
Postage  
Stamp  
Here

U.S. P. Co. Printed in U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Hoover - Please send  
me the address of Henry Holt  
Publishers of your book  
"Masters of Deceit"

3-19-54  
3-20-54  
3-21-54

Mrs. [Redacted]  
Castlesville, Del  
RFD # 2

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MAR 18 1958

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March 17, 1958

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Mr.   
182 Crestview Road  
Columbus 2, Ohio

Dear Mr.

It was kind of you to write on March 11, 1958, regarding my new book, "Masters of Deceit." While I do not have a supply of books on hand, I am sure that you can obtain a copy from your local booksellers or from Henry Holt and Company, Inc., 383 Madison Avenue, New York 17, New York.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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*Handwritten initials and signatures:*  
my  
V. S.  
[Signature]

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Res. 182 Crestview Rd.  
Columbus 2, Ohio  
March 11, 1958

Dear Sir:

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Please send me a copy  
of your book, "Masters of  
Deceit: The Story of Communism  
in America & How to  
Fight it."

Sincerely,



#18 Pump Company  
House Fire Captain  
#18 Fire Station  
Windsor & Cleveland Ave  
Columbus 2, Ohio

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15 MAR 18 1958

EX-128

CRIMINAL DIVISION



Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Boardman.....
Mr. Belmont.....
Mr. Mohr.....
Mr. Nease.....
Mr. Parsons.....
Mr. Rosen.....
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Mr. Trotter.....
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Miss Gandy.....
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Henry Holt and Company, Inc. • PUBLISHERS

383 MADISON AVENUE... NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

VICE PRESIDENT

March 13, 1958

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Mr. Clyde A. Tolson  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Room 5744  
Department of Justice Bldg.  
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Clyde:

Enclosed herewith is installment #21 of King Features Syndicate's version of MASTERS OF DECEIT by J. Edgar Hoover, for your correction.

Best regards.

Sincerely,



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SPECIAL DELIVERY

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Mr.   
Henry Holt and Company, Inc.  
383 Madison Avenue  
New York 17, New York

Dear  *Henry*

The twenty-first and twenty-second installments of the King Features syndication are being returned herewith. We have marked minor suggested changes on the text.

Sincerely,

*Clyde*  
Clyde Tolson

Enclosures (2)

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ad 3/17*

NOTE: See Jones to Nease memorandum dated 3-17-58 captioned "Masters of Deceit."

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- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Boardman \_\_\_\_\_
- Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Parsons \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Clayton \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holloman \_\_\_\_\_
- andy \_\_\_\_\_

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Henry Holt and Company, Inc. • PUBLISHERS

383 MADISON AVENUE... NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

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VICE PRESIDENT

March 14, 1958

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Mr. Clyde A. Tolson  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Room 5744  
Department of Justice Bldg.  
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Clyde:

Enclosed herewith is installment #22 of King Features  
Syndicate's version of MASTERS OF DECEIT by J. Edgar Hoover,  
for your corrections.

Best wishes.

Sincerely



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P.D.*

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. Nease

DATE: March 17, 1958

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: "MASTERS OF DECEIT" ✓

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Nichols \_\_\_\_\_
- Boardman \_\_\_\_\_
- Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Parsons \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holloman \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

We have reviewed the twenty-first and twenty-second installments of the King Features syndication furnished by Henry Holt. They are taken from Chapters 19 and 20, dealing with communist infiltration of Jewish groups and the underground.

As in past installments, the text has been shortened, changed at points and some sentences reworded. The general theme, however, remains. We have made some minor changes in consultation with the Domestic Intelligence Division.

### RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached letter over Mr. Tolson's signature be forwarded to Mr. [ ] of Henry Holt, enclosing the corrected text of the 21st and 22nd installments.

Enclosure

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March 17, 1958

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Mr.   
100 Church Street  
Batesville, Mississippi

Dear Mr.

It was kind of you to write on March 10, 1958, regarding my new book, "Masters of Deceit." While I do not have a supply of books on hand, I am sure that you can obtain a copy from your local booksellers or from Henry Holt and Company, Inc., 383 Madison Avenue, New York 17, New York.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

GEM:amg  
(3)

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Nichols \_\_\_\_\_
- Boardman \_\_\_\_\_
- Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Parsons \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holloman \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL ROOM

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THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY  
OF THE UNITED STATES

HOME OFFICE NEW YORK 1, NEW YORK

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AGENT  
100 CHURCH STREET  
BATESVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

PHONE: 7131

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March 18, 1958

F.B.I.  
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

I would like to have a copy of Mr. J. Edgar Hoover's  
book MASTERS OF DECEIT. If you supply these books  
please send me a copy C.O.D. or let me know where  
a copy may be obtained.

Very truly yours,

*mail  
ack 3-17-58  
JEM*

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March 17, 1958

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Mr. [Redacted]

Post Office Box 599  
Story City, Iowa

Dear Mr. [Redacted]

It was kind of you to write on March 11, 1958, regarding my new book, "Masters of Deceit." While I do not have a supply of books on hand, I am sure that you can obtain a copy from your local booksellers or from Henry Holt and Company, Inc., 383 Madison Avenue, New York 17, New York.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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GEM:amg  
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- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Nichols \_\_\_\_\_
- Boardman \_\_\_\_\_
- Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Parsons \_\_\_\_\_
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- Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holloman \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL ROOM

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Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Boardman	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Nease	
Mr. Parsons	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tamm	
Mr. Trotter	
Mr. Clayton	
Tele. Room	
Mr. Holloman	
Miss Gandy	

Story City, Iowa  
March 11, 1958

J. Edgar Hoover,  
Washington D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:— I would like to have you give me information on how to obtain a copy of the book entitled "Masters of Deceit" I understand that this book was written by you. Will you please inform me by return mail where I can get a copy of this book. Thank you very much.

Very truly yours

[Redacted]

P. O. Box 599  
Story City, Iowa.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: March 12, 1958

FROM : G. A. Nease

SUBJECT:

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
 Clayton \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

On the afternoon of March 11, 1958, Mr. [redacted] of the McCann-Erickson Company, 50 Rockefeller Plaza, New York City, called at your office regarding two items he wished to discuss with you. [redacted] for many years has been handling publicity and public relations matters for the Liggett Meyers Tobacco Company and has been most helpful in years gone by in promoting ventures in which the Bureau was interested, such as our major films on the Bureau, and he has done numerous favors for the Bureau, such as bringing Perry Como and the Chesterfield Supper Club to Washington to entertain at a retraining banquet of the FBI National Academy some years ago.

[redacted] advised that the President of Liggett Meyers, Mr. Benjamin F. Few, has always been a great admirer of the Bureau and that anything which he, Ellis, could do to help the Bureau was thoroughly endorsed by Mr. Few.

The first item [redacted] had in mind dealt with working up an institutional type advertisement for use in national magazines which would be a salute to the men of law enforcement by Chesterfield. [redacted] had in mind utilizing a photograph of the Director at his desk with several action type training scenes of our Academy at Quantico where FBI National Academy men receive their training. You told Mr. [redacted] that he could work up a dummy layout and submit it to the Bureau for approval and that, of course, we would not approve any layout which had packs of Chesterfields displayed or had any of the personnel in the photograph shown smoking Chesterfields; that any layout would have to be completely dignified and of an institutional type merely with the name of Chesterfield across the bottom of the advertisement.

You had Mr. McGuire show [redacted] various action type photographs we have as stock shots of our facilities at Quantico, as well as several shots of Mr. Hoover at his desk. [redacted] picked out a group of Bureau photographs to take back to New York for his art department to consider in selecting several for the

Enclosure

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 (See recommendations on pages 4 and 5)

cc - Mr. Holloman

cc - Mr. Jones

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dummy layout. He was also furnished background information on the National Academy and our latest figures on total number of graduates. Mr. [ ] also expressed interest in the attached copy of a photograph of the Director at his desk, which picture was taken by the Bureau's photographer during April, 1956. at the same time photographs were taken for American Weekly magazine. [ ] was furnished a copy of this photograph. It is noted we own the negative and can control the use of this photograph. [ ] advised he would submit to the Bureau his suggested dummy layout for approval as to caption material and photographic layout and that he would be in touch with us on this point sometime in the near future.

The second item concerned the desire of [ ] on his own initiative through contacts established by him in the motion picture, television and theatrical fields to work up promotional plugs for the Director's new book "Masters of Deceit." [ ] stated he had been in the South for the past several weeks and had just, upon his return, found the Director's personally autographed copy at his office, which he intensely appreciated receiving. He very honestly stated he had not completed the reading of the book but that anything Mr. Hoover had done was good enough for him to jump into action. He said he would like to have the Director consider sending signed or autographed copies of his book to [ ] office in New York and that on his own he would then through his staff have the copies delivered to the persons he had in mind directly, at which time they would be asked to work up a complimentary reference to the book in their shows.

You told Mr. [ ] to give us the names and we would check and see which ones we would want to consider having him handle as, undoubtedly, there were some persons he had in mind with whom we already have had contact or with whom we had such relationships as we would not want to have anyone go to them again. You pointed out for example that Ed Sullivan has a book of his own and that the Director had also sent Ed Sullivan a personally autographed copy.

Accordingly, Mr. McGuire had Mr. [ ] come to his office, at which time [ ] contacted his New York office and submitted the following names which had been recommended to him by his staff. They include largely the same outlets which [ ] used in giving the Don Whitehead book on the FBI a good send-off when Don's book first came out. The following are the names of contacts [ ] recommended but which we have eliminated either because of information in our files which makes contact with these persons undesirable or because we have previously had an autographed copy of the book sent to the

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people by Mr. Hoover personally. They are:

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Arthur Godfrey  
Steve Allen  
Ed Sullivan

John Daly  
Bob Considine  
Lowell Thomas

(Each of these has received a book from the Director.)

Dave Garroway  
Polly Bergen  
Mike Wallace  
John Wingate  
Gizelle McKenzie  
Frank Sinatra

George Gobel  
Jack Webb  
Eddie Fischer (FISHER)  
Rosemary Clooney  
Dr. Armand Hammer

(Information in Bureau files is either derogatory on some of these persons or their medium is such to preclude working in a reference to the book on their shows as they have shows on film or are of a musical type into which reference to the book could not logically be made.)

The following names submitted by [redacted] are worthy of consideration, and [redacted] suggests that the Director autograph copies personally to these personalities. It is noted that files reflect nothing unfavorable against these people and we have not up to this point sent books to them. They are:

~~Perry Como~~  
~~Garry Moore~~  
~~Jack Paar of NBC~~  
~~John Cameron Swayze~~  
~~Ernie Ford~~  
~~Dinah Shore~~  
~~Art Linkletter~~  
~~Bill Leonard ("This Is New York,"  
Sunday radio program)~~  
~~Robert Q. Lewis, New York radio  
commentator~~  
~~Bill Cullen, New York radio and  
television commentator~~  
~~Walter O'Keefe of NBC~~  
~~AL Capstaff of NBC who is producer  
of Walter O'Keefe's show, as well as  
producer of NBC's Monitor, with whom  
we have had a friendly relationship~~

~~Robert Eastman, American Broadcasting  
Company Radio Network, New York~~  
~~Joe Culligan, National Broadcasting  
Company Radio Network in New York~~  
~~Arthur Hall Hayes, Columbia Broad-  
casting System Radio Network, New York~~  
~~Walter Cronkite, radio commentator~~  
~~Bob Hope~~

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[ ] advised that the Director personally autograph books to:

Perry Como	Bill Leonard
Garry Moore	Bill Cullen
Jack Paar	Al Capstaff
John Cameron Swayze	Walter Cronkite
Dinah Shore	Bob Hope
Art Linkletter	

*OK*

but that he merely sign his name in books to go to:

Ernie Ford	Robert Eastman
Robert Q. Lewis	Joe Culligan
Walter O'Keefe	Arthur Hull Hayes

*OK*

as the Liggett Meyers contacts with these people are with the producers of their shows rather than the persons themselves.

[ ] also stated that he could use 5 or 6 blank books (not signed by the Director) as stage props in various shows where a close-up shot would be taken and the Director's book would appear in the background.

*OK*

If this is agreeable to the Director, [ ] stated the books should be sent to him in care of [ ] 55 West 54th Street, New York City, as [ ] and [ ] son-in-law, [ ] would be doing the actual contact work personally. We have had Schrader and Mann visit the Bureau previously and they did a terrific job on the promotion of the Don Whitehead book through media such as [ ] has suggested above.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. It is recommended we provide copies of "Masters of Deceit" for this promotional purpose and that the Director personally autograph books to:

Perry Como	Dinah Shore	Al Capstaff
Garry Moore	Art Linkletter	Walter Cronkite
Jack Paar	Bill Leonard	Bob Hope
John Cameron Swayze	Bill Cullen	

*✓*

*OK*

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2. That the Director just sign his name in books for:

Ernie Ford  
Robert Q. Lewis  
Walter O'Keefe

Robert Eastman  
Joe Culligan  
Arthur Hall Hayes

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OK  
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3. That we furnish 6 blank books to  for use as stage props. Should the Director concur, the books will be sent through separately, each appropriately marked as to the action to be taken, and we will see that they are delivered to

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All return lists including  
books autographed by  
sent to  3/12/58  
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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR

DATE: March 6, 1958

FROM : CLYDE TOLSON

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SUBJECT:

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Boardman \_\_\_\_\_
- Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Parsons \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Clayton \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holloman \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. [redacted] of Henry Holt & Company, advised me today that Mr. [redacted] who purchased 1,000 copies of "Masters of Deceit," has asked that 100 copies be sent to him and that 900 copies be sent to YMCA libraries throughout the United States, the location of the libraries to be selected by Henry Holt & Company, since there are 1,500 such libraries in all in the country.

Mr. [redacted] also advised me that a branch of the Army has increased its order from 700 to 1400 copies. These books were purchased through a jobber but are destined to army post libraries throughout the world.

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Mr.   
Henry Holt and Company, Inc.  
383 Madison Avenue  
New York 17, New York

Dear

The twentieth installment of the King  
Features syndication is being returned herewith. We  
have marked minor suggested changes on the text.

Sincerely,

*Clyde*  
Clyde Tolson

Enclosure

*orig signed  
mailed ad 62-104277-225*

NOTE: See Jones to Nease memorandum dated 3-13-58 captioned  
"Masters of Deceit."

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- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Nichols \_\_\_\_\_
- Boardman \_\_\_\_\_
- Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Parsons \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holloman \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nease *[Handwritten signature]*

DATE: March 13, 1958

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FROM : M. A. Jones *[Handwritten signature]*

SUBJECT: "MASTERS OF DECEIT" *[Handwritten checkmark]*

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Nichols \_\_\_\_\_
- Boardman \_\_\_\_\_
- Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Parsons \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holloman \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

We have reviewed the twentieth installment of the King Features syndication furnished by Henry Holt. It is taken from Chapter 18, dealing with communist infiltration of Negro groups.

As in past installments, the text has been shortened, changed at points and some sentences reworded. The general theme, however, remains. We have made some minor changes in consultation with the Domestic Intelligence Division.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached letter over Mr. Tolson's signature be forwarded to Mr.  of Henry Holt, enclosing the corrected text of the 20th installment.

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*[Handwritten initials]*



Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Boardman	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Nease	_____
Mr. Parsons	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tamm	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Mr. Clayton	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Mr. Holloman	_____
Miss Gandy	_____
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Henry Holt and Company, Inc. · PUBLISHERS

383 MADISON AVENUE... NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

VICE PRESIDENT

March 11, 1958

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Mr. Clyde A. Tolson  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Room 5744  
Department of Justice Building  
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Clyde:

Enclosed herewith is installment #20 of King Features  
Syndicate's version of MASTERS OF DECEIT by J. Edgar Hoover,  
for your corrections.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,



*[Handwritten initials]*

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Mr.   
Near Minisink Ford  
Narrowsburg 2, New York

Dear Mr.

Your letter of March 10, 1958, signed by your wife and you, together with enclosure, has been received.

In connection with your request, it is a pleasure to forward under separate cover a copy of "Masters of Deceit" which I have autographed.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

V

*Handwritten initials*

NOTE: John Merrill, referred to by correspondent, is the former managing editor of the Easton Express, Easton, Pennsylvania, who was a frequent cordial correspondent and good friend of the FBI who died 1/23/54. Bufiles reflect that correspondent has previously communicated with the Bureau on infrequent occasions and has at various times furnished information to the Bureau concerning security matters.

*Handwritten signature*

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Boardman \_\_\_\_\_
- Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Parsons \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Clayton \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holloman \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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MAR 17 1958  
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MAIL ROOM

NEAR MINISINK FORD  
NARROWSBURG 2, N. Y.

3-10-58

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Our mutual friend, John C. Merrill of Easton, Pa., had planned to drop in on my wife [redacted] and me along with your good self. We regret it never came about. Its a shame such a fine chap joined the great majority.

Now to be somewhat presumptuous with a request, to inscribe and autograph your book, "Masters of Deceit" for which is enclosed our check?

We would treasure it tremendously and in our own library it will have the good company of The Memoirs of Herbert Hoover which he kindly also inscribed and autographed.

Please accept our patriotic wish that you enjoy excellent health for many years to come.

Sincerely

/s/

[redacted signature box]

The Honorable  
J. Edgar Hoover  
Fed. Bureau Invest.  
Washington, D. C.

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to Miss [unclear]  
3-10-58  
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NEAR MINISINK FORD  
NARROWSBURG 2, N. Y.

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Boardman	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Nease	_____
Mr. Parsons	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tamm	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Mr. Clayton	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Mr. Holloman	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Our mutual friend, John C. ~~Marshall~~  
Easton, Pa., had pleasure to drop in on my wife  
Eugenie and me along with you yourself. We regret  
it never came about. It's a shame such a fine chap  
joined the great majority.

How to be somewhat presumptuous with  
a request, to inscribe and autograph your book,  
"Masters of Deceit" for which is endorsed on check?  
We would presume it was already and in  
our own library it will have the good company of  
The Annals of the Hunt Hoover which he kindly also  
inscribed and autographed.

Please accept our patriotic wish that you  
enjoy excellent health for many years to come.

Sincerely,  
  
[Redacted]

The Honorable  
J. Edgar Hoover  
Fed. Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
MAR 17 1958

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Boardman	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Nease	_____
Mr. Parsons	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tamm	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Mr. Clayton	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Mr. Holloman	_____
Miss Gandy	_____



J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Identification  
Washington  
D. C.

Director  
3-11-58  
Approved by  
Austin H. ...

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nease

DATE: March 17, 1958

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: "MASTERS OF DECEIT"  
PRAISED BY STEVE ALLEN  
ON STEVE ALLEN SHOW  
NBC TELEVISION  
MARCH 16, 1958

Tolson	_____
Nichols	_____
Boardman	_____
Belmont	_____
Mohr	_____
Parsons	_____
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Gandy	_____

Steve Allen, star of the NBC Steve Allen Show, on television, Sunday nights at 8 p. m. , praised the Director's book, "Masters of Deceit," on his show last night, March 16, 1958.

While holding a copy of the book in front of the camera, Allen started out by saying his viewers would recall that on his old show, "Tonight," he often made reference to books which he felt were worthy of mentioning, but since his Sunday night show was so crowded that procedure had been dropped. He continued, however, that this was one occasion when he wanted to make an exception for a new book just off the presses, "Masters of Deceit," by J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the FBI.

Allen stated that nowadays the American public spends a lot of time talking about communism but doing nothing about it. "Masters of Deceit," Allen said, gives the facts and detail on communism in this country and what one can do to recognize it and fight it. "I urge all of you," Allen continued, "to buy a copy of this new book, 'Masters of Deceit,' by J. Edgar Hoover."

His reference to the book came at a very strategic point of the show, just before the midway mark and at a time to capture a big viewing audience. His comments appeared to be voluntary and spontaneous and overall gave a very favorable impression. It is felt his remarks will receive very favorable response. An appropriate letter has been prepared and is attached.

RECOMMENDATION:

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That the attached letter be approved and forwarded

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Enclosure

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by Letter Dated  
Per FOIPA Request

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March 17, 1958

Mr. Steve Allen  
Apartment 9B  
1009 Park Avenue  
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Allen:

Please accept my sincere thanks and appreciation for your favorable remarks concerning "Masters of Deceit" on your television show last night. I am indeed honored that you chose to call your viewers' attention to my report on the communist menace in this country, and I am most grateful for your generous comments. It was good of you to do this.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

J. Edgar Hoover

COMM - FBI  
MAR 27 1958  
MAIL ROOM 28

NOTE: See Jones to Nease memorandum dated 3-17-58 entitled "Masters of Deceit" Praised by Steve Allen on Steve Allen Show, NBC Television, March 16, 1958," CBF:bs. The Director sent Allen a personally autographed copy of "Masters of Deceit" on 2-26-58.

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- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
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- Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
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- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holloman \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nease

DATE: March 19, 1958 b6  
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FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT:   
FORT WORTH, TEXAS

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Nichols	_____
Boardman	_____
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Mason	_____
Mohr	_____
Parsons	_____
Rosen	_____
Tamm	_____
Nease	_____
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Holloman	_____
Gandy	_____

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By letter dated March 12, 1958, to the Director, captioned individual severely criticized the Director for information which appears in chapter 19 of "Masters of Deceit." Chapter 19 of the book deals with the communist attack on Judaism. From the contents of correspondent's letter, it is obvious he is bigoted and a severe critic of the Jewish race.

A check of Bufiles reflects no information identifiable with  of Fort Worth, Texas.

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of his sarcastic and bigoted comments, it is recommended the letter not be acknowledged.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

DATE: 3-11-58

FROM : J. P. Mohr

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

66-1731-1460

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C Congressman Keating, (R) New York, spoke concerning the book "Masters of Deceit." Mr. Keating made very favorable comments concerning Mr. Hoover and the FBI. A number of other Congressmen joined Mr. Keating in paying tribute to Mr. Hoover. Congressman Smith, (R) California, made favorable comments concerning Mr. Hoover. Mr. Smith pointed out that he was an agent in the Bureau for seven years. Bureau records reflect that H. Allen Smith was employed with the Bureau from 12-2-35 to 11-3-42. His services were satisfactory. This was set forth in a memorandum written earlier this date.

Original filed in:

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INITIALS ON ORIGINAL

In the original of a memorandum captioned and dated as above, the Congressional Record for 3-10-58 was reviewed and pertinent items were marked for the Director's attention. This form has been prepared in order that portions of a copy of the original memorandum may be clipped, mounted, and placed in appropriate Bureau case or subject matter files.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: March 17, 1958

FROM : J. P. MOHR

SUBJECT: AUTOGRAPHING OF  
"MASTER OF DECEIT"

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Nichols \_\_\_\_\_
- Boardman \_\_\_\_\_
- Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Parsons \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holloman \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

I feel it would be most beneficial to the Bureau if the Director would see fit to autograph the two attached books. One is for Mr. [redacted] of the Department of Justice Building who has been most helpful with respect to maintenance incident to the Bureau's space throughout the building and the other book is for Mr. [redacted] who likewise in Mr. [redacted] absence has been most cooperative.

### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that if it is possible for the Director to autograph the attached books they be returned to me for delivery to Messrs. [redacted] and [redacted]

Enclosures  
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*2.17.58*  
*8/10/58*

*✓ [signature]*

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March 12, 1958

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Two million Armed Soviet troops could not do the damage to our beloved nation which Chapter 19 of your book "Masters of Deceit" has done.

You present the purpose, the plan, and the result of the Communist Conspiracy, then you throw your shield of protection around the perpetrators of the Conspiracy!

Whereas you say "a Jew who becomes a Communist is no longer a Jew", my life long observation makes me believe "a Jew who is not a dedicated Socialist (Communist) is not a Jew."

We have believed in you America had a man of intelligence & perception who understood the heart of the Conspiracy & at the proper time would expose it! Today we bow our heads in shame.

You have hastened the complete debilitation of Christianity until such time as God chooses.

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MAR 20 1958

To again bring His  
wrath down upon the  
Jews.

What force made you  
write this Book? God  
keep America - God  
keep the world.

Yours truly

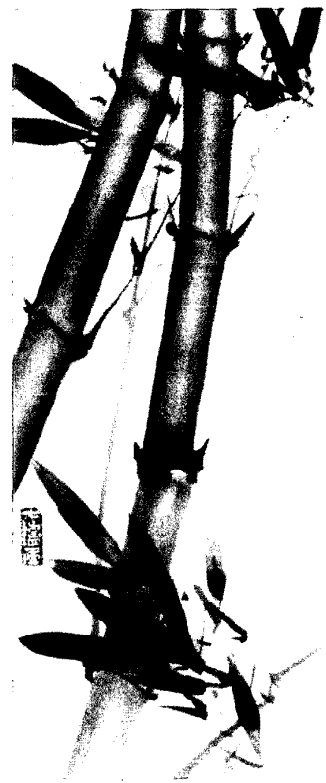


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-by Chang Shu-Chi

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Mr. Tolson  
 Mr. Boardman  
 Mr. Belmont  
 Mr. Mohr  
 Mr. [unclear]  
 Mr. Parsons  
 Mr. Rosen  
 Mr. Tamm  
 Mr. Trotter  
 Mr. Clayton  
 Tele. Room  
 Mr. Holloman  
 Miss Gandy

March 12, 1958

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We have believed that in you America had a man of intelligence & perception who understood the heart of the Conspiracy & at the proper time would expose it! Today we bow our heads in shame & defeat! You have hastened the complete anihilation of Christianity until such time as God chooses to again bring His wrath down upon the Jews.

What force made you write this Book? God keep America - God keep the world.

Yours truly,

/s/ [Redacted]

A check of Bufiles reflects no information identifiable with writer of attached letter, [Redacted] of [Redacted] Tex.

*Jones to Hoover memo  
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March 18, 1958

Mrs.   
760 Florence Street  
Imperial Beach, California

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Dear

62-104277-236

Your letter of March 11, 1958, has been received.

It was certainly kind of you to write, and I hope you will enjoy "Masters of Deceit."

In connection with your request, I am enclosing some material which I thought you might like to read.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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**Enclosures (5)**

- How to Fight Communism
- Could Your Child Become a Red?
- Communism and the College Student
- The Story of the FBI
- 100 Things You Should Know About Communism in the U. S. A.

NOTE: No identifiable derogatory data in Bufiles re

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
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- Holloman \_\_\_\_\_
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MAIL ROOM

64 MAR 24 1958

Imperial Beach, Calif.  
March 11, 1958

Dear Mr. Hoover,

I have just finished reading  
the Congressional Record and the  
review of your new book,  
"Masters of Deceit". Congratulations  
on a sound attempt to en-  
lighten the citizens. I intend  
to put it on my County Library  
requests.

If you have available any  
material available for the  
public, it would be appreciated.

Yours truly,

Mrs.  JH  
760 Flower <sup>104-104277-236</sup>  
Imperial Beach, Calif.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Imperial Beach, Calif.  
March 11, 1958

Dear Mr. Hoover,

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If you have available any material available for the public, it would be appreciated.

Yours truly,

/s/ Mrs. Florence Joiner

Imperial Beach, Calif.

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Mr. Boardman	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Belmont	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Mohr	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Nease	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Parsons	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Rosen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Mr. Trotter	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Jones	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Clayton	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tele. Room	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Holloman	<input type="checkbox"/>
Miss Holmes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Miss Gandy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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3-18-58  
ack  
JFK

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Mr. [redacted]  
[redacted]  
Endorsements, Inc.  
35 East 55th Street  
New York 22, New York

Dear Mr. [redacted]

I have received your letter of March 11, 1958, and deeply appreciate your generous comments concerning "Masters of Deceit."

It is a pleasure to autograph the book you forwarded, and I am returning it to you in the stamped envelope you so thoughtfully provided.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

~~cc Mr. Malmfeldt~~

NOTE: It may be recalled the Director received a watch from the Cyma Watch Company for an outstanding public service and that subsequently an ad appeared in "the Saturday Evening Post" in 1952 in which the Director's picture appeared. This was a Cyma Watch Company ad, and arrangements for it were made by [redacted] company, Endorsements, Inc. By letter dated December 30, 1957, [redacted] forwarded the Director a complimentary copy of "The Big Name" in which [redacted] was mentioned prominently. The book purportedly attributed endorsements of various celebrities for various items to [redacted]. In his letter forwarding this book he stated "I shall personally never forget your kindness in accepting the Cyma Honor Award. His letter was acknowledged 1-7-58.

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# Endorsements, inc.

65 EAST 55TH STREET · NEW YORK 22, N. Y.  
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Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Boardman	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Nease	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Parsons	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
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Mr. Clayton	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Mr. Holloman	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

*J. Edgar Hoover*

March 11, 1958

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

Congratulations on your new book "MASTERS OF DECEIT", which I have just finished reading. It is an excellent doctrine - one that should be read by every American.

I am taking the liberty of enclosing my copy for your personal inscription to add to my increasing shelf of personally autographed books.

Thanks very much and with every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

JA:ap  
Enc.

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ack 3-19-58  
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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

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*Endorsements, inc.*

65 EAST 55th STREET  
New York 22, N. Y.

To

*[Handwritten signature]*  
Honorable J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

Via

*Personal*

CONTENTS: Merchandise.

POSTMASTER: This parcel may be  
opened for postal inspection if necessary. Return Postage Guaranteed.



United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Boardman	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Nease	✓
Mr. Parsons	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
Mr. Clayton	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Mr. Holloman	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

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Date: March 13, 1958  
 To: Director, FBI  
 From: Legat, Ottawa  
 Subject: "MASTERS OF DECEIT"

Remylet 2-26-58.

The autographed copies of the captioned book, as requested in my relet, were received on 3-12-58.

I personally delivered the copy which you inscribed to the Honorable Livingston T. Merchant, U. S. Ambassador to Canada, to him at the U. S. Embassy, Ottawa, on 3-13-58. I told the Ambassador that it was a copy of your new book on Communism, which I thought he would be interested in; therefore, I had obtained a copy for him. He received it very enthusiastically, immediately noted that it was an inscribed copy, stated that he had read a review of it in the newspaper, and was very interested in having an opportunity to read the book. He said that he was going to write you a note regarding it.

Inscribed copies were also delivered to Inspector [redacted], RCMP Headquarters, and to Colonel Vester M. Shultz, Army Attache, U. S. Embassy, Ottawa on this date. Both received their copy of the book enthusiastically and indicated that they knew the book had been released and were anxious to read it. In fact, Colonel Shultz advised that he had intended to purchase a copy while he was in Washington early this week but did not have time to visit a bookstore.

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Mr.   
140 Marlboro  
Aiken, South Carolina

Dear Mr.

I appreciate the interest which prompted your letter of March 14, 1958, in which you asked where you could obtain a copy of my book, "Masters of Deceit." In the event the book is not available through your local bookseller, you may desire to write to the publisher, Henry Holt and Company, Inc., 383 Madison Avenue, New York 17, New York.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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MAIL ROOM

14 Mar 58  
Aiken, S.C.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Washington D.C.

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Dear Sir:

I have seen mention  
of your new book, "Master  
of Deceit" in Walter Winchell's  
column. How or when can  
I obtain a copy?

[Redacted]

140 Marlboro  
Aiken, S.C.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. R. R. ROACH

DATE: March 13, 1958

FROM : MR. M. W. KUERTZ

- Tolson
- Nichols
- Boardman
- Belmont
- Mohr
- Parsons
- Rosen
- Tamm
- Trotter
- Nease
- Tele. Room
- Holloman
- Gandy

SUBJECT: "MASTERS OF DECEIT"  
REQUEST FOR DIRECTOR'S AUTOGRAPH

Enclosed herewith is a copy of the captioned book which was purchased by Liaison for Colonel Fred Barnes of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Liaison has had almost daily contact with Colonel Barnes, who is a member of the Orange Team which acts as the secretary of U. S. Evaluation Board in clearing material utilized in the Bureau's double agent operations. In view of Colonel Barnes' close cooperation with the Bureau, it is suggested that the Director's autograph appear thereon. In the event it is approved, the name should appear as Fred Barnes, Jr., in the autograph.

ACTION:

Book delivered  
Col. Barnes 3/17/58  
mwk

This memorandum should be referred to Supervisor G. E. Malmfeldt of the Records Section for appropriate consideration.

Enclosure

MWK: jlk  
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- 1 - Mr. Malmfeldt
- 1 - Liaison Section
- 1 - Mr. Kuhrtz

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Liaison  
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Dr.   
Belle, Missouri

Dear Dr. Farris:

Thank you for your letter postmarked March 13, 1958, with enclosures, regarding my new book, "Masters of Deceit." While I do not have a supply of books on hand, I am sure that you can obtain a copy from your local booksellers or from Henry Holt and Company, Inc., 383 Madison Avenue, New York 17, New York, for the purchase price of \$5.00.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

NOTE: Correspondent's enclosures were two pamphlets on religion.

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Dr [redacted]  
Dentist Belle Mo

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J, Adcar Hoover  
Washington D C.

Dear Mr Hoover

I note in The Globe you are coming out  
with a book on Comunism and their underground Movings  
where can This Book Be had And what Is the Price

Resp Yours [redacted]

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play yourself as you please, whenever you please and flaunt your abominations in the face of Almighty God, and DEFY the Holy Word of God to YOUR heart's dictates and content...let the consequences be what they may, whether to yourself or anybody else, because of your selfish and worldly ways and plain undress! If so, you have deliberately abandoned yourself to the devil. (See Heb. 10:26-31).

NEVERTHELESS, we plead with you: IF you still have any feminine dignity and decency about you, IF you still have any real concept of what is noble and fine and pure and worthy and proper and morally and spiritually correct and good, IF you still have left within you a degree of that purity and dignity of innocence that exalts womanhood in the eyes of all men more than anything in this world, IF there still lingers in your soul an ounce of respect and fear of God—we PLEAD with you, WE BEG OF YOU: humble yourself in the sight of God, correct your conduct, and REMOVE THE STUMBLING BLOCK from your life! (James 4:4-10; Isa. 55:6, 7). God bless you as you do it! And may God bless all who shall earnestly join us in admonishing and helping you to do it. There are enough men and boys going morally wrong and heading for eternal punishment because of their tragic lives in sin without YOU helping to add to that number by these demoralizing fashions and practices.

—A. B. Ost,  
Editor, Old Time Religion,  
Box 909, McAllen, Texas

This is one of 1,000 different Gospel tracts published by the Osterhus Pub. House, 4500 W. Broadway, Minneapolis 22, Minn., U.S.A.  
This tract costs 35c per 100; \$1.00 for 500; \$1.50 for 1,000.

## THE SHAME OF THY NAKEDNESS

REV. 3:18. A SOLEMN WARNING

The Lord Jesus in the reference above is dealing with spiritual nakedness. To drive <sup>it</sup> <sup>home</sup> home to the heart of the Laodicean church He uses the figure of physical nakedness. Our personal warning in this message deals with the latter. Nudity has moved from the clandestine into the open society in the form of unblushing modern fashions and practices; and has invaded the sanctity of the American home—including so-called "Christian" homes!—to the extent that a most solemn warning is in order, lest our fair land one of these days become like Sodom and Gomorrah of old. The evidence is present all around us.

All thoughtless, needless, deliberate or improper and immodest exposure of themselves on the part of women and girls in public, at school, in the home, and at every kind of amusement center IS OF THE DEVIL; and constitutes a four-fold SIN. A sin in itself, a catering to vain, and seductive fashions and practices, a stumblingblock and occasion for temptation to impurity of heart and life, and an abomination in the sight of God.

Moreover, as sure as there is a God in Heaven who watches over these things (Gen. 6:1-5; 18:20, 21), not only will the guilty ones themselves one day bear their own sins, but fathers and mothers and guardians who allow and defend such fashions and practices (Or, alas, themselves set the example!) will have an accounting to make when that HOLY and Omniscient GOD of Heaven and earth shall pass judgment upon everyone's conduct without respect of persons.

When men and boys indecently expose themselves they are apprehended, haled into the courts, for the protection of American womanhood. But when the women and girls strut about displaying

unclothed bodies on the streets, sidewalks, and playgrounds, then the story is different. Curious men crane their necks. Meaningful glances are exchanged. Old-timers wag their heads. The unsophisticated lift their eyebrows. And gloating "boy friends", silly husbands and "proud parents" smile ... apparently looking upon the blatant display as "cute" and "smart", while the morons, and sex maniacs grin and smirk. Magnificent picture, isn't it?

All the while men and boys have had to suffer not only the loss of their temporal liberty and independence because of their unmentionable vagaries, but have thus been lured by Satan on their way to an eternal retribution in hell fire... BECAUSE OF THE POPULAR FEMENINE YIELDING TO THE SEDUCTIVE AND SODOMITE FASHIONS AND PRACTICES.

IF WE RIGHTLY send our men and boys to the penal institutions because of their tragic felonies along these lines then, let all Christians, all preachers, and all in law enforcement authority, and everybody else concerned WAKE UP, BE CONSISTENT and DO SOMETHING about this arrogant and promiscuous Sodomite exposure and corrupting nudity on the part of the fair sex.

LISTEN, YOU PARENTS! Well it may be that you are permitting a demoralizing and seductive snare to be put in the very path of the weak. And preacher friends, listen! Have you permitted your testimony to become silenced by the very POPULARITY of this satanic mischief? This thing has long since become a national plague! And YOU, our representatives in civil authority, do not ignore the DEVIL'S BAIT dangling before the eyes of these many moral felons in the making! While you faithfully carry out your other mandates from the electorate, do not forget that included in your calling is THE PROTECTION OF MEN AND BOYS AS WELL... against the multiple tragic consequences of this vicious nudity of our day.

Moreover, in the same category of Satan's sexual allurements belong the UNSCRIPTURAL and REPULSIVE practice of women and girls going about in the garb of men; coupled with the use of tight fitting garments... all of it is so DISTINCTLY CONDEMNED in the Word of God that no one

ever need err. (Deut. 2:5 & John 2:15-17). THE WORD OF GOD teaches that the opposite sex (1) is to be dressed, and (2) DRESSED MODESTLY. (I Tim. 2:9).

WE BELIEVE in bringing justice ALL of feuding males who become guilty of improper or felonious conduct—no matter what the circumstances. And we are prepared to BACK all of our civil authorities who take their God-given duties seriously and zealously exercise the Scriptural authority vested in their office. Rom. 13:1-7. We tell you IN THE NAME OF THE LORD that we shall all greatly err if we carelessly, otherwise, allow ourselves to think that any of those who have CONTRIBUTED to the delinquency of the poor felons, shall get away with THEIR guilt or if we ignorantly, flippantly suppose that GOD will not also bring ALL SUCH TO THEIR just retribution for THEIR Scripturally unjustifiable ways, in the day that God shall sit down to clear His docket.

ANY HUMAN BEING that thinks that he or she can deviate with impunity from THE WORD OF GOD is woefully deceiving himself and herself. Man will ASSUREDLY suffer the consequences of his earthly ways. Col. 3:25. Rev. 20:12.

JUST LOOK AROUND you and judge for yourself what is going on. A few years ago the most pitiable fallen woman and worst brother-creature would not have dared to show herself on the streets (nor anywhere else in public) denuded to the extent that TENS OF THOUSANDS of thoughtless and arrogant American women and girls allow themselves to appear, and without a blush or trace of embarrassment or shame!

Had these lived but a few decades ago and done what they are brazenly doing today they would have been arrested on the charge of indecency. We challenge anybody to rise up and say that this is not so! For IT IS so!

What goes on today is simply SCANDALOUS AND OUTRAGEOUS beyond words. On every hand we are CONTINUALLY being embarrassed, humiliated, and outraged. And we tell you again that it is OF THE DEVIL.

OR IS IT SO that as far as you are concerned, "the devil may care?" For YOU are "going to dress as you please." YOU are going to strut and dis-



Europe. This powerful federation which is destined to become "the beast kingdom" is now on its way. Since we last wrote, our own President made a remark regarding the United States of Europe. He feels that because of the actions of Russia a United States of Europe is becoming necessary and possible. We have been watching this development since the first World War and have noted the increased demand for such a European Federation. The motive of its establishment is PEACE and it will have the approval of a cheering world, but Daniel tells us that under the leadership of the antichrist it eventually "DEVOURS the WHOLE EARTH, and shall tread it down and break it in pieces." A seductive deceiving spirit from the trinity of hell is taking possession of our national leaders causing them to speak in favor of the very program of the antichrist as outlined in the Bible. Multitudes of Church leaders are being deceived now, and the masses of the common people will look upon the entire program of the antichrist with enthusiasm for it will be the only appealing program for peace in this troubled world. Those who do not applaud but rather give the warning I am now giving, will first be called crackpots, then reactionaries, seditionists and traitors and during the period of the midnight cry they may know what that health bill H.R. 3676 is for and they may know what the inside of that Mental Hospital in Alaska looks like. All prisons will overflow with saints during the awakening period before the rapture.

After the settlement of the Palestine question, a European Federation and above that the World Government will become the issues around which forceful propaganda will center. Those who do not have "the love of the truth" in their hearts will be turned over to believe a lie, they will come under the "strong delusion" of the antichrist. The only

safe thing to do in these days of apostasy and days of deceptions is to meet God frequently in the secret closet. His people will not be deceived if they take time to be holy and "pray that they may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man."

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## The Appeal Of The Antichrist Program

We do not need to quote the numerous Scripture verses referring to the devil to prove that he is the arch deceiver of all time. He seeks to deceive the leaders of the nations of the world in order that he may bring them under his complete control and use them to carry out his world program for the extermination of, not only the believer, but the very name of Jesus from under heaven. He hates the human family because he hates God.

Next to the devil in power is the personal antichrist, named in the Word "The Son of Perdition." There is a conflict going on between God and the forces of darkness which began before man was placed in the garden of Eden. The prophesied outcome of the conflict reveals a Divine plan and a most gracious purpose.

One day, in the end of this age, the incarnate son of the devil will appear in human form upon this earth and will be acclaimed a man among men. He will have a plan and a program to carry out, a mission to fulfill for his father, the devil. He will have an appealing program to offer the nations of the earth and also to offer to each individual. He will offer the nations that which will appeal to the national mind and will seek to tie the individual into the great national and world plan.

The personal antichrist will have a very pleasing personality. He will have a powerful and persuasive method, from the very beginning of his career, to push through his local and world program. Not only will he be attractive but his program will be very impressive. It will have as much appeal un-

der his wily and deceptive words as Satan's words regarding the "forbidden fruit" had to Eve.

I know that multitudes of Christians carelessly pass off anything dealing with the question of the personal antichrist, saying that it is no concern of theirs for they will be gone before the antichrist appears. This is not the best attitude to take for you may be one of those left behind and if you are not left behind to face the conditions after the rapture you will have many close relatives, friends and neighbors, yes even a son or a daughter who will not be accounted worthy to escape. It should be the concern of every Christian for it is the concern of Christ.

In order to deceive the people, the spoken word of the antichrist must be the direct opposite of his motives and deeds. Very clever in the art of speaking "great swelling words" he will persuade his hearers that he is the noble patriot and promoter of the good things they all desire for the sake of democracy, liberty and freedom. However he will not mean that which his hearers understand and accept. Listen to a Theosophist speak about the subject of regeneration. The language will be that of a Christian but the meaning extracted from the words will be that of a heathen who believes in the reincarnation of the soul. The word "democracy" has a meaning entirely different to a Communist than to a loyal American. The very phraseology used by the antichrist will deceive. When he attains power, his national and foreign policies will be deceptive. With the first glimpse we receive of him when he begins his great career, it is said of him, that, "After a league made with him he shall work deceitfully: for he shall come up, and shall become strong with a small people." Dan. 11:23. Everything he does is deceitful, every thing he says is deceitful. His very nature is

to deceive. It is impossible for him to do anything else. His purpose in coming is to deceive. He is utterly perverse. He is utterly bad without the slightest trace of good in him. That is the kind of world leader who in the very near future is coming to govern the earth.

**The antichrist will have a progressive program** promoted in the realm of the miraculous. Daniel says that "through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper" Dan. 8:25. There is no doubt about it, by that time atomic energy and marvelous inventions will be put to industrial use and the prospects of plenty without much labor, and an abundance of leisure time will be the bait that will lure multitudes to take the mark of the beast and to worship him. We read that "gold, silver, precious stones and pleasant things" are his in abundance and in his wars of extermination against nations that resist his program, he will "scatter" among the people the prey, the spoil and riches which he takes. (Dan. 11:24, 38). The unsaved and those who have no light will not be hard to deceive for they are living for this world and are satisfied with worldly goods. What a responsibility rests upon the shoulders of the individual Christian of this generation! The unsaved NOW should be informed of these things for every one deceived by him and his program will be lost.

**His program will grip the imagination of the masses** because he will possess miraculous power. The multitudes followed Jesus "for the loaves and fishes" and they will follow the antichrist for the same reason. The multitudes followed Jesus because of His mighty miracles. Three times in the revelation the miracle working power of the antichrist is mentioned and it states that the people are deceived by means of those miracles. Rev. 13:13-17. Rev. 16: 13, 14. Rev. 19:20. The antichrist will use the False Prophet in ac-

complishing the miracles but the power belongs to the antichrist. Paul warned that the very "elect" will be in danger of being deceived along that line. "Then shall that wicked be revealed... Even him whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they might believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believe not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness." 2 Thess. 2:8-12. Coupled with this is the miracle working power of "false prophets and false Christs" Matt. 24:24.

**The program of the antichrist will be a program of peace**, and Daniel says that by "peace he shall destroy many." From the very beginning of his career he will be an advocate of peace. He will be the world's outstanding avowed peace leader. The people will believe that his intentions are perfectly sincere, and they will follow him like sheep going to slaughter. He will have all nations deceived.

**The antichrist will have a dual program.** His ultimate objective will be a world entirely under his control—a World Government. He will start in a small way. The first we see of his political ambitions is when he makes a "league" (Dan. 11:23) with the Jews and the Arabs. It is in his first peace move. Count Bernadotte, Dr. Bunch and Dag Hammarskjöld were forerunners of the antichrist in that they sought to do what the antichrist accomplishes in a great way. His first political maneuvers to bring peace between the Jews and the Arabs will have the approval and also the great applause from the world, for "he comes up and becomes strong with a small people". Achieving greatness in the eyes of the nations he climbs higher and becomes president of the United States of



BRITISH EMBASSY

WASHINGTON

10 March, 1958

- Mr. Tolson ✓
- Mr. Boardman ✓
- Mr. Belmont ✓
- Mr. Mohr ✓
- Mr. Nease ✓
- Mr. Parsons ✓
- Mr. Rosen ✓
- Mr. Tamm ✓
- Mr. Trotter ✓
- Mr. Clayton ✓
- Tele. Room ✓
- Miss Gandy ✓

*[Handwritten signatures and initials]*

Dear *Mr Hoover,*

Mr. Ralph Roach has kindly presented me with a copy of your book "Masters of Deceit" and I am most gratified to have in it your autographed personal message to me. It was most thoughtful of you and this instructive gift is very much appreciated.

I was delighted to read that the first printing of your book has been sold out already.

With best wishes,

Yours

*Very sincerely*

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*H.C.M. Stone*  
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H.C.M. Stone.

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The Hon. J. Edgar Hoover,  
Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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Mr. [redacted]  
208 Tigertail Road  
Los Angeles, California

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Dear Mr. [redacted]

I have received your note and enclosures under postmark of March 11, 1958, which you so thoughtfully forwarded. Your kindness is certainly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: [redacted] forwarded other material re "Masters of Deceit" on 3/8/58 and a letter thanking him was sent 3/11/58. He is the son of the late Joseph A. Mulcahy, who was formerly employed by the Department of Justice and was a good friend of the Bureau and was known to the Director. [redacted] has been affiliated with various Hollywood enterprises including movies or stories by Gordon and Mildred Gordon. His enclosures were "J. Edgar Hoover Book Reveals Communism In U. S. in 'High Gear,'" by Dorothy Roe, Herald-Express, Los Angeles, California, 3/10/58. "Fine Book on Communism" by Walter L. Scratch, Citizens-News, Hollywood, California, 3/10/58. "Hoover Sees Fifth-Column Menace" by James Bassett, Mirror News, Los Angeles, California, 3/10/58. "Unidentified advertisement for "Masters of Deceit" Acknowledgments re these reviews being handled separately.

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Mr. [redacted]  
208 Tigertail Road  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your thoughtful letter postmarked March 8, 1958, enclosing a copy of a review of "Masters of Deceit" has been received, and I want to thank you for your kindness in making it available.

In regard to your request for jackets of the book, it is suggested that you communicate with Mr. [redacted] Henry Holt and Company, Inc., 384 Madison Avenue, New York 17, New York, who is handling all promotional aspects of the book.

You may be sure that I am deeply grateful for the support you are giving this book.

Sincerely yours,

*NOTE: Bufiles reflect much cordial correspondence with [redacted] who is the son of Joseph A. Mulcahy former Department of Justice employee who is very friendly with the Bureau and who was known to the Director. [redacted] has been affiliated with various ventures in Hollywood including the "FBI Story" and "Case File: FBI" by Gordon and Mildred Gordon. [redacted] enclosure was a copy of a review of "Masters of Deceit" by Right Reverend Msgr. John S. Kennedy in "Balancing the Books" which appeared in "Our Sunday Visitor" on March 9, 1958. [redacted] address per envelope.*

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Mr. [redacted]  
[redacted]

Henry Holt and Company, Inc.  
383 Madison Avenue  
New York 17, New York

Dear [redacted]

[redacted] of Howard Productions, Inc.,  
6758 Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood 28, California, wrote  
a letter to Mr. Hoover postmarked March 8, 1958, in which  
he requested jackets of "Masters of Deceit" to be used on  
the television show, "Greet the People" which is broadcasted  
over KTLA in Hollywood. Mr. Hoover referred him to you  
on this matter.

[redacted] also forwarded a copy of a review  
which appeared in "Our Sunday Visitor" on March 9, 1958,  
which I thought you might like to see.

Sincerely,

Clyde A. Tolson

Enclosure

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853 SEVENTH AVENUE  
NEW YORK 19, N. Y.

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Mr. Tamm	
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*S. J. [unclear]*

Dear Mr Hoover;

Here is a report on a very good book you should buy.

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PS Have tried to get your friend Walter Winchell, actor, on our GREET THE PEOPLE live interview type TV show. But the lad is so shy....as a TV actor. In an effort to help him rating wise I have make every effort to get WW but he is hard to pin down.

Regards,



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TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: March 19, 1958

FROM : G. A. Nease

SUBJECT: "MASTERS OF DECEIT"

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SAC Powers called from New York. He stated a very vicious editorial on the Director and his book appears in the New York Post this afternoon. It is entitled "When the Sacred Cow Speaks" and points out that heroes rise and fall in our land and, although Eisenhower, Mickey Mantle and others are not above criticism, Mr. Hoover remains a sacred cow in politics. It further relates that lesser authors might have suffered by the timing of the book which came out when the Communist Party is at the lowest level in history and that any commentator would be defamed if he did not champion the book. He refers to Winchell and Sokolsky and particularly defends John Oakes of the Times who wrote an unfavorable review, as well as the review which appeared in the World Telegram.

Powers is sending this editorial in special and we will attempt to secure a copy here as soon as the New York Post is available in Washington.

cc - Mr. Jones

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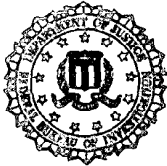
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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Post Office Box 1277  
Cincinnati 1, Ohio  
March 6, 1958

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
9th and Pennsylvania, Northwest  
Washington, D. C.

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Re: "Masters of Deceit"

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Your book is getting a fine response. I thoroughly enjoyed it and have put copies into the hands of several of our contacts.

(American Jewish League Against Communism ..... known to Mr. Nease) was very appreciative for your thoughtfulness in autographing a copy of your book for him. He has arranged to buy a number of copies and endow certain schools with the book. He has also arranged for the Cincinnati Public Library, which occupies a modernistic downtown building, to make a prominent window display. He has arranged also to provide copies, gratis, to the Country Day School for Boys (second best boy's school in the U. S.) and the College Preparatory School for Girls; 350 students in each school.

The Cincinnati Public High Schools have just added your book to the senior high school course in connection with Government, history, and current events. The superintendent of parochial schools in Cincinnati is considering doing likewise but has not yet worked out the details.

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The superintendent of public high schools in Columbus, Ohio, decided March 6, 1958, to make your book a part of the senior high school course on history and current events.

[redacted] is currently making contact with the superintendent of public schools at Dayton, Ohio, along the same lines and this will cover the three large cities in our Field Division.

I thought you might find it amusing to know that this afternoon the ASAC and I interviewed [redacted] Cincinnati Top Ten Hoodlum. Romeo has on his personal bookshelf a copy of "The FBI Story." He has read it; he also reads other books about the FBI. [redacted] is a gambler and confidence man and he states that Communism is out of his line but he intends to get a copy of your latest book and read it too. I was very much surprised to find on a recent interview with Don Hoke, Cincinnati Top Ten Hoodlum at Dayton, Ohio, that he reads everything that comes out about the FBI including the press releases. Apparently, the underworld likes to keep track of the FBI and your latest book will give them a new twist on FBI operations. Congratulations!

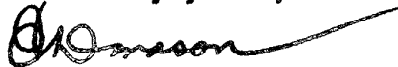
In the event you desire to write Mr. [redacted] for his interest in the FBI and your book (it is his intention to invest a few thousand dollars of his own money in putting copies into proper hands), his address is:

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Mr. [redacted]  
4090 Rose Hill  
Cincinnati, Ohio

Thanks for an excellent book and for the many favorable responses to it.

Sincerely yours,



E. D. Mason  
Special Agent in Charge

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: March 18, 1958

FROM : G. A. Nease *[Signature]*

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SUBJECT:

### Bill Hutchinson of International News Service (INS)

called Mr. McGuire late this afternoon, advising he had been asked by his New York office to set up an interview between the Director and Bob Considine so that Considine could write an article for publication on March 30 for all of the INS outlets. Hutchinson then stated he wanted to be very truthful as to the real purpose, advising that he had been instructed to con the Bureau into arranging the interview. Hutchinson stated that serialization on the Director's book will begin April 13. INS knows the Director has refused to give any statement for use in connection with the book; therefore, the scheme is to have Considine talk to the Director on other subject matter not covered by the book and for him to write his article March 30, for Sunday publication that date, to create interest in the Director's name so that, when the syndication follows in April, it will help circulation of INS papers and others handling the syndication of the book.

Hutch was thanked for the forthrightness and was told we would, of course, tell the Director of the request for an interview with Considine and that we would call Hutch back. Hutch stated whatever the answer was made no difference to him personally and it was O. K. with him whatever the Director wanted to do.

It is obvious what INS is attempting to do here, and I think we should call Hutchinson back and advise him the Director just cannot work in any interviews at this time and, as a matter of fact, has not been giving any interviews as anything he might say could conceivably be construed as seeking publicity either directly or indirectly for his book.

cc - Mr. Holloman  
cc - Mr. Jones

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: March 19, 1958

FROM : G. A. Nease

SUBJECT:

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With reference to my memorandum 3-18-58, concerning the desire of International News Service to have Bob Considine interview the Director as a subterfuge in getting publicity on the Director to utilize with the syndication of the book, Mr. McGuire in accordance with the Director's concurrence on my memorandum called Hutchinson back today and told him for his personal information and guidance the Director was most appreciative of Bill's forthrightness and frankness in letting us know just what the pitch was on the request. Bill stated he would always deal above board with the Bureau and he felt that was the only way for any real accomplishment as we had always reciprocated.

Bill was then told that the Director just could not work in any interviews at this time and, as a matter of fact, has not been giving any interviews as anything he might say could conceivably be construed as seeking publicity either directly or indirectly for his book. Bill stated that was understandable to him and he would so advise his New York office. He then stated he hoped the Director would keep this policy for at least another 45 days, until the syndication is completed, as, if some statement came out as an interview with the Director any time in the next 45 days, his New York office would be on his neck. Mr. McGuire told Bill not to worry, that the Director meant what he said and would stand behind his answer. Bill asked that his thanks and appreciation be given to the Director.

cc - Mr. Jones

*See that this is done.*

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Mr.   
General Delivery  
Galax, Virginia

Dear Mr.

Thank you for your letter postmarked March 17, 1958, regarding my new book, "Masters of Deceit." While I do not have a supply of books on hand, I am sure that you can obtain a copy from your local booksellers or from Henry Holt and Company, Inc., 383 Madison Avenue, New York 17, New York.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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Galax, VA

March 1958

United States Department of Justice  
J.B.F. Chick J. Edgar Hoover, Director

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Would you send please see and send me one of the new books which you have written. Which appeals to Americans to keep up their guard against the continuing red conspiracy. The Communist Party's had base in the United States is still a res. source of potential spies. The Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I was in his book, readers of the book. If he is a Communist in the United States and how to fight it. I read all the story you had written in the American Legion magazine.

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Mr.   
Route 2  
Rio, Wisconsin

Dear Mr.

It was kind of you to write on March 16, 1958, regarding my new book, "Masters of Deceit." While I do not have a supply of books on hand, I am sure that you can obtain a copy from your local booksellers or from Henry Holt and Company, Inc., 383 Madison Avenue, New York 17, New York, for the purchase price of \$5.00.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
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Dear Mr. McBain:

Many thanks for your letter of March 13, 1958, with enclosures. I am indeed appreciative of the steps you have taken to circulate "Masters of Deceit." We in the FBI sincerely hope this book will aid in thwarting further communist expansion, and your assistance in this regard will prove most helpful.

According to news accounts, Vladimir D. Poremsky, President of the National Alliance of Russian Solidarists, also known as NTS, appeared before a public session of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee on April 2 and 3, 1957, and testified concerning efforts of his organization to overthrow the current Russian Government. At that time he effectively described the danger posed by Russian espionage activity. He has traveled extensively to raise funds and gain support for his movement. I know of no reason to doubt the sincerity of Mr. [redacted] and The Fund for Free Information, Inc., although I do not possess sufficient information to pass judgment.

Thank you again for your tremendous help. A public enlightened to the communist menace is a very encouraging step.

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Sincerely yours,  
J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: [redacted], was interviewed at the Bureau on 3-1-57 by Mr. W. C. Sullivan, et al., concerning [redacted] anticommunist activities in The Fund for Free Information, Inc. (FFI) and he made a very favorable impression. A closing report was submitted by the New York Office dated 10-21-57 re the FFI, and no information was developed to indicate it is anything other than a sincere anticommunist organization. (105-58283) The main file on Vladimir D. Poremsky, 62-94987, reveals that he has not been interviewed by the Bureau. The National Alliance of Russian Solidarists (NTS) is the subject of a current investigation by our New York Office. The NTS is

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now concentrating on anti-Soviet revolutionary activity behind the Iron Curtain. It continues its program of contacting Soviet nationals outside the USSR. [A double agent has indicated the Russians are interested in the identities of NTS members.] The most recent report is labeled secret. The Bureau is interested in any efforts on the part of the Russians to infiltrate this organization. (105-10164) A complimentary copy of "Masters of Deceit" autographed to McBain was sent on 2-14-58. In view of the nature of the above-mentioned organizations, and the sources of our information, no further specific comment is deemed advisable.

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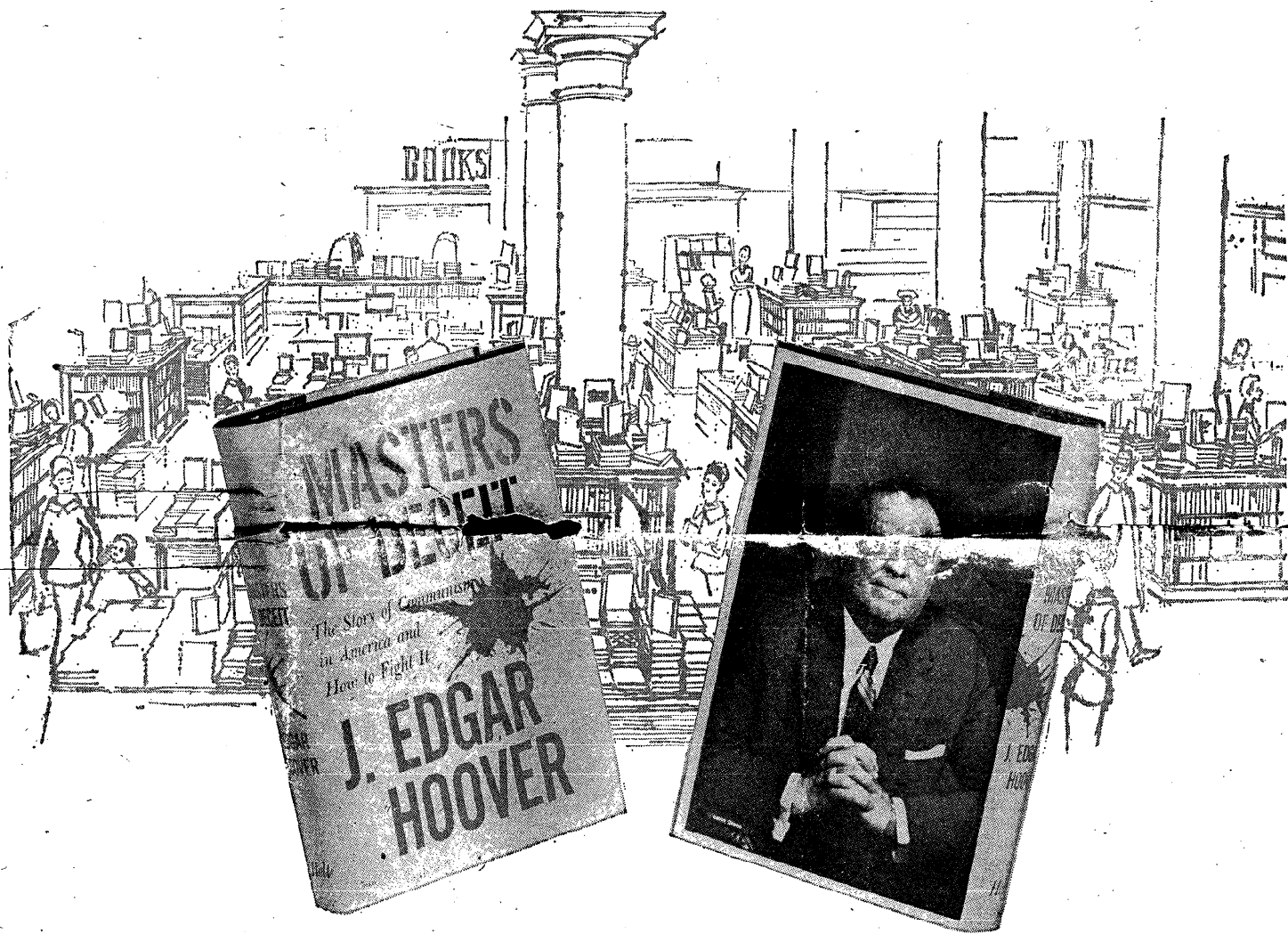
By letter of 2-11-57, SAC, Chicago, advised Wilson had accepted employment with Fidelifax, Inc., and all employees in that Division were cautioned that under no circumstances should any official business of the Bureau be discussed with Wilson. In July, 1957, it was reported that Wilson, who was in charge of the American Security Council office, Chicago, contacted a former Bureau informant and offered remuneration if he would provide duplicates of reports which he had prepared while he was an informant of the Bureau and which Wilson understood were in his possession. Wilson is not listed as a member of the Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI.

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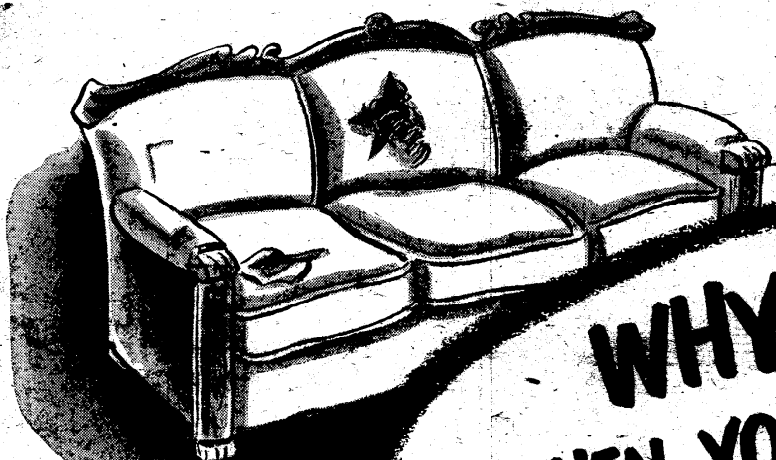
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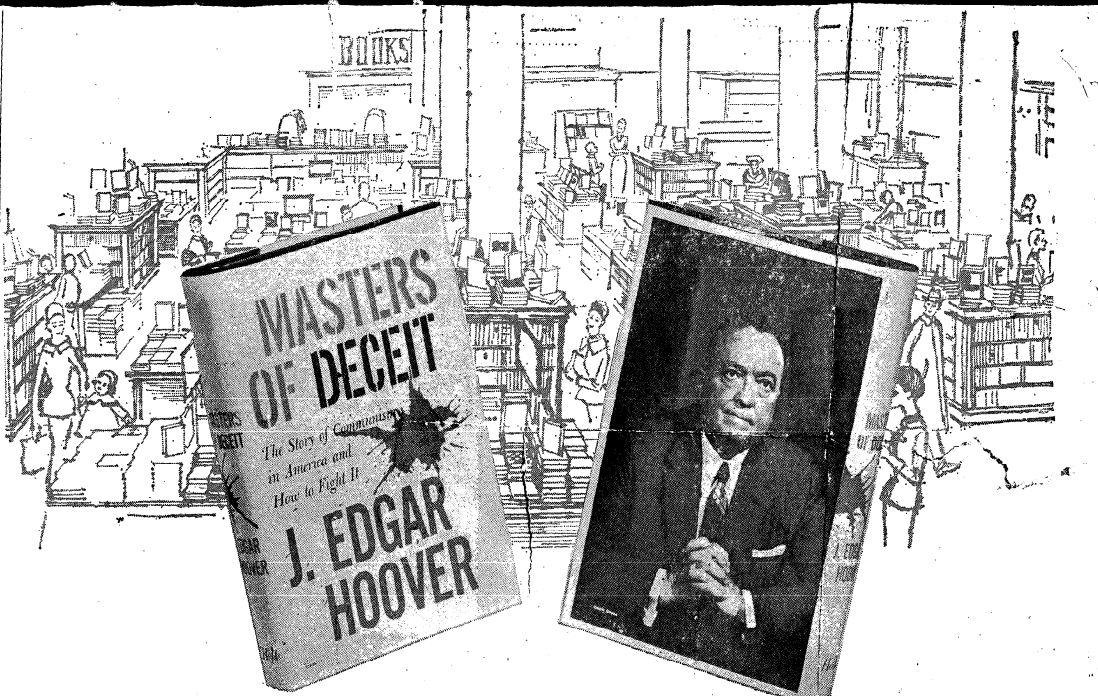
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# 45 Legislators in a Jam

## Some Challenged on Right To Hold State Offices

One out of every five members of the Illinois Legislature is in trouble with the law as a result of complaints by the attorney general, state's attorney and an architectural group.

Seven downstate lawmakers and 38 from Cook County are involved.

Three face trial for violating the state's conflict of interest statute which prohibits them from doing business with state institutions.

Three—all attorneys—have been accused of unethical conduct. The Illinois State Bar Association has received a complaint that they violated

one of the canon of ethics by introducing legislation which favors clients.

ONE downstate and 38 local members of the General Assembly have been challenged to their right to hold simultaneous jobs posts in the legislature and with outside municipal and corporate bodies.



SEN. DRACH SEN. CANFIELD

Castle ruled last July that a legislator may not hold "a lucrative" public office while a member of the General Assembly.

HIS RULING came in the case of State Sen. William L. Grindle (D., Herrin) who also is a Herrin city alderman.

Subsequently, a Daily News investigation disclosed that at least 23 local legislators were on various public payrolls, including the city, county, sanitary district, school board and CIA.

State's Attorney Adamowski investigated and found 38 lawmakers holding down public jobs. He filed suit in Superior Court to prevent them from collecting their local salary. Most have already drawn all their state pay, although their

terms do not end until Dec. 31.

OF THE downstaters, other than Grindle, a complaint has been made by the Illinois Society of Architects that three violated the conflict of interest statute. All are Republicans.

They were identified as Rep. Robert L. Burhans (Peoria), Sen. George E. Drach (Springfield), and Sen. Robert R. Canfield (Rockford).

All three have denied the charge.

Three others go on trial soon in Sangamon County (Springfield) for doing business with state institutions. They are Rep. Charles W. Clabaugh (R., Champaign), Sen. James O. Monroe (D., Collinsville) and Rep. James D. Carrigan (D., Peoria).

ADAMOWSKI'S suit, if successful, would about wipe out any chance for a special session of the legislature, as passed at such sessions require a two-thirds vote to pass.

He also questions the right of the legislators to hold their state post while holding outside public office, and has indicated he may sue to recover their state pay.

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## Here's Run-Down On 45 Lawmakers

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Six are involved in conflict of interest cases—they own businesses which sold material to state-owned institutions, or as attorneys introduced legislation favorable to clients.

THE ATTORNEYS, named by the architectural group, are:

State Sen. George E. Drach (R., Springfield), majority whip and one of Gov. Stratton's floor leaders.

State Sen. Robert R. Canfield (R., Rockford).

State Rep. Robert L. Burhans (R., Peoria), chairman of the powerful House judiciary committee and one of Stratton's House leaders.

Rep. Charles W. Clabaugh (R., Champaign), Sen. James O. Monroe (D., Collinsville) and Rep. James D. Carrigan (D., Peoria).

Of the 39 who hold dual jobs, the only downstate is State Sen. William C. Grindle (D.), who is also a Herrin city alderman.

THE OTHERS, as identified in State's Attorney Adamowski's suit, are (from Chicago

Carl W. Stolteben (D.), deputy Municipal Court bailiff.

Raymond J. Welsh (D.), chief clerk, county clerk's office.

Kenneth E. Wandt (D.), administrative assistant, Municipal Court clerk.

Peter J. Whelan (D.), county highway department supervisor.

Frank C. Wolf (D.), chief deputy bailiff, Municipal Court bailiff.

Kenneth E. Moberley (R.), supervisor, county recorder's office.

Elwood Graham (R.), county recorder's clerk.

Thomas J. Zaplin (D.), county controller's clerk.

Michael E. Hannigan (D.), deputy Municipal Court bailiff.

Henry M. Lenard (D.), deputy Municipal Court bailiff.

Peter J. Miller (R.), chief clerk, Sanitary District.

Bernard S. Nelstein (D.), attorney for Municipal Court bailiff William Milota.

Lillian Piotrowski (D.), transient officer, Board of Education.

John G. Ryan (D.), deputy Municipal Court bailiff.

Al Sakowicz (R.), examining clerk, county recorder's office.

Edward J. Shaw (D.), clerk, city bureau of parking.

THE SENATORS are: Donald J. O'Brien (D.), CTA attorney.

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A. L. Cronin (D.), chairman, Chicago liquor control commission.

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## MASTERS OF DECEIT

The finest book of our time on the subject of Communism in America has just been written by J. Edgar Hoover, the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This book is entitled Masters of Deceit; The Story of Communism in America and How to Fight It. The publication date for this book is March 10, 1958. This book represents almost forty years' experience on the part of Mr. Hoover in the investigation of subversive elements in the United States, and it is written in a factual, thought-provoking manner. Actual experiences of former members of the Communist Party are utilized throughout to demonstrate why persons join and later leave the Communist Party. The formation and manipulation of Communist front organizations by the Communist Party is perhaps the most important chapter of this book. Many excellent books have been written by former members of the Communist Party, but the usual weakness of these books lies in the fact that they represented one man's opinion, and often this individual's vantage point in the Communist Party did not give him a broad, comprehensive picture of the Party activities. Mr. Hoover's book, however, sets forth salient information obtained through millions of man hours spent by Special Agents of the FBI interviewing present and former Communist Party officials. This book should be read by every American concerned with our democratic heritage. Also, every current member of the Communist Party should take time to read this book to see how the Communist Party has been deceiving them for years. The price of this book will be \$5.00, however the Council has made arrangements to purchase a large number of these books at a reduced price in order that all key individuals of member companies will have an opportunity to order this book through the Council. The message in this book is so important that we strongly urge all member companies to obtain at least one copy.

## SOCIALIST YOUTH CONFERENCE

Youth in the United States, as everywhere, has always been the prime target of Communist attack. Unsuspecting young people in this country have been drawn into the net of Communist thought-control by the Communist Party, usually under the guise of protecting their civil liberties. As an example

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of this technique, there was held in Chicago on February 1 and 2, 1958, a midwest conference entitled "Prospectives for Socialist Youth", which was held at the Ida Noyes Hall at the University of Chicago, and this conference was held under the sponsorship of the Socialist Youth Committee of Chicago. There were ninety-five students and young people attending this meeting, representing educational institutions in the Twin Cities; Philadelphia; Madison, Wisconsin; New York City; Denver; Los Angeles; Chicago; Detroit; and Yellow Springs, Ohio. The first literature put out concerning this conference would indicate to the uninitiated in Communist tactics that this was to be a conference for young people to discuss socialism in this country. Subsequent literature indicated that the prime concern of this conference would be with the "state of our civil liberties" in the United States, and the following are some of the items that were discussed at this conference: "the witch-hunt on the college campus", "Army 'security' and civil liberties", "the right to travel abroad", "the case of Morton Sobell", "freedom for political prisoners--the Green-Winston case."

Concerning the first point, the witch-hunt on the campus, the speaker at this conference alluded to the fact that we must diligently work to restore academic freedom on campuses throughout the United States. If one were to believe the speaker, this would indicate that there is no academic freedom on the campus, and that only the Communists and Socialists are interested in restoring such freedom. Nothing could be further from the truth. Concerning the second point, the Army security and civil liberties problem, Isadore Warwick was the main speaker concerning this, and he reviewed his own case in which he was discharged as a security risk by the Army. Concerning the third point on the agenda, the right to travel, the speakers who spoke on this subject attacked Secretary of State Dulles' ruling that the passports of all those young Americans who attended the Moscow Peace Festival were to be invalidated. The fourth point, the case for Morton Sobell, was again discussed along the typical Communist Party line that Morton Sobell and the Rosenbergs had been unjustly convicted, and that there was no evidence that they were guilty. The fifth item, ~~freedom for political prisoners, the Green-Winston case, dealt basically~~ with the conviction of Gil Green and Henry Winston, both national leaders of the Communist Party who are presently in jail for violation of the Smith Act.

One of the principal speakers at this conference was Eugene Feldman, the editor of the "Southern Newsletter", a Communist publication. Feldman has been identified as having been the chairman of the Communist Party at High Point, North Carolina, and the southern representative for the Daily Worker throughout the South. Sam Reed, who was recently convicted for falsely signing a non-Communist affidavit required by the Taft-Hartley Act, also spoke concerning the alleged injustice of his conviction. Throughout this two-day conference, the Communists were in excellent control of the agenda, and by spotting their speakers throughout the program, they were

assured of continued control and influence over the young people in attendance at this meeting. Undoubtedly, most of the young people attending this conference are not now Communists, but many of them have now started on the road toward membership in the Communist Party or assisting the Communist Party through its front organizations.

#### THE NAKED GOD

Howard Fast, the most important literary figure in the Communist Party in the last fifteen years, and the most honored writer in the United States insofar as the Soviet Union is concerned, has publicly resigned from the Communist Party and has written a book entitled The Naked God, describing his experiences in the Communist Party and his reasons for having left. This is the same individual who in 1953 received the Stalin Peace Prize in the amount of \$25,000.00. Fast, in the last fifteen years, has written approximately twelve books, most of which are excellently written, but nonetheless they are all slanted along the Communist Party line. Millions of copies of his books and articles have been reproduced in the Soviet Union, and his slanted version of conditions in America has done much to picture Americans in Russia as being a war-mongering, decadent type of people.

In his book, Fast bares his soul, and throughout you detect a picture of an angry man, who for thirteen years gave everything to the Communist Party and ended up disillusioned. He has taken the first step in becoming again a useful citizen in this country, however he has a long way to go. Even though he has broken with the Communist Party, he still attacks the position of our government with respect to the Communist Party and the conviction and imprisonment of Communist Party leaders. Basically, he attacks the national and international leaders of the Communist movement throughout the world, however he describes the rank and file of the Communist Party in the United States as being "gentle, selfless and endlessly sacrificing men and women". Perhaps Fast's summation concerning the Communist Party will best illustrate what the Communist Party is doing to this country, when he says: "We took the noblest dreams and hopes of mankind as our credo; the evil we did was to accept the degradation of our own souls--and because we surrendered in ourselves, in our own party existence, all the best and most precious gains and liberties of mankind--because we did this we betrayed mankind, and the Communist Party became a thing of destruction." Concerning the Hungarian revolution, Fast stated: "From Hungary and its tragedy we learned of a new kind of socialism--socialism by slaughter and terror. A life long structure of belief (in the Communist Party) lies shattered around me."

#### ILLINOIS COMMITTEE FOR FREEDOM OF THE PRESS

This Committee was organized by the Communist Party in Illinois several years ago for the express purpose of raising funds for their publications. It is strictly a "paper" organization and its official address is Room 402,

189 West Madison Street, Chicago, which is the office of the Communist Party headquarters.

This organization sponsored a "mass rally" at Curtiss Hall, 410 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, on January 18, 1958, and Robert Thompson, National Committee member of the Communist Party, USA, was their featured speaker. This is the same Thompson who was a Communist Fugitive and who was captured by the FBI in August, 1953, in a remote Communist hideout in the Sierra Mountains in California. Thompson attacked John Gates (former editor of the Daily Worker and who resigned from the Communist Party two months ago) and charged him with collaboration with reactionary forces in putting the Daily Worker temporarily out of existence. Thompson stated that their Sunday edition, the Worker, would continue publication and that they have intentions of moving the Worker to Chicago. According to Thompson, this move would have several advantages, since it would be more in the center of the country and would be able to take a more active part in the affairs of trade unions and industry. There were approximately two hundred and fifty persons in attendance and their customary collection speech netted them \$405.40, and thirty new subscriptions to the Worker.

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There are now one-hundred and three companies supporting the ASC on an annual membership dues basis. This is an increase of thirty-three companies in the last three months. This progress is almost entirely due to the efforts of several members of the Senior Advisory Board who had invited a number of companies to join in membership and the response was excellent. We are hoping to enlist the support of at least one-hundred additional companies in the coming year.

Due to increased support, the ASC files will be growing at a more rapid rate.

Sincerely yours,



R. J. Wilson

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

Since my last letter to you thanking you for an autographed copy of "Masters of Deceit", I have finished reading the book. Not only did I find it informative and interesting from cover to cover, but I learned a great deal which I wish every American would be privileged to share. In my judgment, the fact that you took the time and trouble to write and publish this volume may well be recorded by historians of the future as one of the principal roadblocks which prevented further inroads of socialism and communism in this country of ours.

I was so much impressed with the book that I arranged to have several advertisements written and paid for by our company. I enclose some copies. I also arranged to have an entire show window of our Chicago store built around your book. I enclose a picture of the window and hope you like it. I also gave an advance copy of the book to Mr. Robert Wilson, formerly of your staff, who is now head of the American Security Council (this is the old Harry Jung group). Mr. Wilson wrote to his entire membership about the book... copy enclosed.

On another subject, I wonder if you would be kind enough to give me a little help or advice about a group which a few of us in Chicago know something about but not much. If what we know is correct, it strikes us that this group may be doing a splendid service for the Russian people propagandizing them against their Soviet leaders. The group is headed in America by Mr. Carl T. Chadsey, Jr., P.O. Box 383, New York 17, New York. The name of the organization here is The Fund for Free Information, Inc. They are soliciting funds for a group of patriotic free Russians known as N.T.S. with headquarters in Frankfurt/Main, Germany. The head of the organization in Frankfurt is Dr. Vladimir D. Poremsky. I enclose some of their literature.

If this group is completely dependable and if their work is effective,

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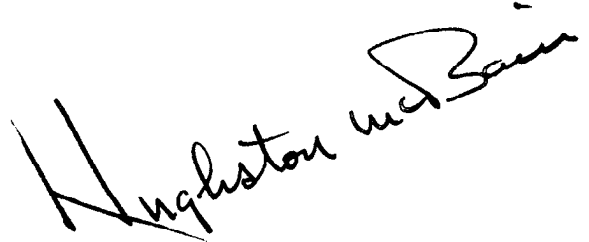
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March 13, 1958

There are a number of people in Chicago who would like to support it financially. Any advice you could give me, I would deeply appreciate.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Hughston M. McBain". The signature is written in dark ink and is slanted upwards from left to right.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Hughston M. McBain

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

The Baldwin School  
Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania  
March 13, 1958

Dear Mr. Hoover,

Just a year ago, my son - [redacted]  
[redacted] - and I had  
the pleasure of meeting you in your  
office as guests of [redacted] When  
I saw your new book advertised, I knew [redacted] would  
very much enjoy owning a copy and particularly if  
there was a personal inscription in it. He still has  
his target from that day and as [redacted] said  
when he saw it, "You look like a future F. B. I.  
prospect."

Would you please put a word or two in this copy  
and return it to me at the above address?

Gratefully,

*Autographed*  
*copy to*  
*sent to Mrs. [redacted]*  
*2/10/58*  
/s/ (Mrs.) [redacted]  
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her son, [redacted] toured the Bureau  
and met the Director on 3-25-57. No other  
references located in Bureau files identifiable with  
[redacted] and her son.

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4801 CONNECTICUT AVENUE, N. W.

Washington 8, D. C.

March 17, 1958.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

Through the courtesy and generosity of your capable and gracious Secretary, Miss Helen Gandy, I was recently afforded the opportunity to read your recent book "Masters of Deceit" with a great deal of understanding and pleasure.

Prior to reading it, I regret to say that I did not know and understand the true facts of Communism; why persons of practically every class were attracted to it and what possessed such persons, having once become affiliated with the Party and learning the true facts and aims of such an organization, to continue their activity. The facts set forth in your book in such a clear, intelligent and understandable manner, certainly enabled me and others who will read your book to learn the real and true facts of Communism and the danger confronting the citizens of the entire world because of the continuing activity of such a despicable organization.

It would be a wonderful thing and of infinite value to every young person in America if your book could be used as a text book and be studied by students of every school in the entire country.

I would like to be one of the many persons who I am sure will congratulate you for your masterful presentation of the subject. I am mighty glad that I was given the opportunity to read it and want to express my very deep thanks for the knowledge and pleasure it has given me.

Sincerely



Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Department of Justice,  
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Mr.   
4801 Connecticut Avenue, Northwest  
Washington 8, D. C.

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Dear Mr.

Thank you very much for your thoughtful letter of March 17, 1958. I am, of course, pleased to learn that you thoroughly enjoyed reading my new book, "Masters of Deceit," which Miss Gandy presented to you.

Your generous comments and suggestion are deeply appreciated, and I earnestly hope the book will alert the public to the insidious nature of the communist conspiracy.

Sincerely yours,

W. Edgar Hoover

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Mrs.   
98 Wyman Street  
Jamaica Plain  
Boston 30, Massachusetts

Dear Mrs.

It was a pleasure to receive your letter of March 15, 1958, and your generous comments regarding "The FBI Story" and "Masters of Deceit" are indeed appreciated.

I am grateful for your thoughtfulness in advising me of your interest in emphasizing the religious traditions of our society. In this connection, I am enclosing some material I have prepared relative to this subject which you might like to have.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosures (2)

What America Means To Me  
America Needs Full-Time Patriots

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98 Wyman Street  
Jamaica Plain 30, Mass.  
March 15, 1958

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Director, FBI  
Washington, D. C.

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As an average, law-abiding, God-fearing citizen of these United States, I have always had the proper respect for you & your work. However, since reading The FBI Story by Whitehead and now a review of your own book, Masters of Deceit, I find I have an even greater respect for your ability, integrity & your apparent morality.

In Masters of Deceit I read that you recommended Biblical study & humble service to God as a way of successfully combatting Communist inroads in this country. In the last four months, this idea has been bumping around in my mind as a solution to all our problems. The reason I am writing is this. Can you recommend to me via letter a way in which the average American voter can bring pressure to bear on our Governmental officials & servants to emphasize the all-important religious aspect of our lives? If not, I believe I would be speaking for many citizens when I would request that you might publish some articles on the subject in leading magazines.

*Send her copies of "Wonders we live by"*

I hesitate to take more of your valuable time even though I would like to say much more on this constructive subject. But I'm confident of your ability to comprehend the sort of action I mean.

In addition I wish to assure you that I am not considered a religious fanatic in my neighborhood. I am just becoming increasingly aware that we as a nation MUST turn to God or else! As John Foster Dulles said, "..... we need a more dynamic faith...."

Thank you for your bravery in taking a stand for God.

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Yours truly,

/s/ Mrs.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES  
 SUBJECT: "MASTERS OF DECEIT" BY J. EDGAR HOOVER

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On Sunday, 3/9/58, the book "Masters of Deceit" by J. EDGAR HOOVER was reviewed on Los Angeles, California, television station KNXT-TV, Channel 2, by [Redacted]. The program, Cavalcade of Books, is sponsored by the Southern California Book Sellers Association and is a regular Sunday feature on KNXT-TV.

[Redacted] stated she was happy to say that Mr. HOOVER's treatment of the subject was objective, that he does not try to blacken anybody, and that he does not try to create fear although he does point out that we must all be aware of the dangers of Communism. She stated that probably the most important thing Mr. HOOVER shows is how the CP uses innocent people as dupes for front organizations. The tenor of the entire review was favorable.

[Redacted] is the subject of a closed security case in the Los Angeles Office. Her activities have never necessitated an active investigation of her. She is a current member of the Los Angeles School Board and is a self-described "liberal."

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Immediately following the review of "Masters of Deceit," [redacted] (who has never been the subject of a Bureau investigation) reviewed "Marxism and Freedom" by [redacted] [redacted] (Detroit Security Index subject who is known as [redacted] Bufile 100-46624), who is described as a former secretary of LEON TROTSKY. [redacted] was present during the review and participated in a brief interview.

[redacted] made several pointless and innane remarks including words to the effect that Mr. HOOVER has taken a very negative approach to Marxism and Communism and that nothing can be gained by jailing people or passing laws against thinking. Also, she stated that Marxism is anti-Communist.

It is to be noted that [redacted], who is the leader of the Forest Faction of the Johnson-Forest Group, was opposed by both [redacted] and [redacted] as she propounded her ideas.

Verbatim transcriptions of both book reviews will be forwarded 3/11/58.

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**Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT**

**TO :** DIRECTOR, FBI (100-351746)  
(100-397390)

**DATE:** 3/11/58

**FROM :** SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-46624)  
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**SUBJECT:** "MASTERS OF DECEIT" BY J. EDGAR HOOVER

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Re Los Angeles airtel 3/10/58 captioned as above,  
cc Detroit.

Attached are verbatim transcriptions of book reviews  
conducted on Cavalcade of Books, television book review program,  
on KNXT-TV, Channel 2, Los Angeles, California, on Sunday,  
3/9/58.

Enclosed for the Detroit Office is a transcript of  
the review on that program of "Marxism and Freedom" inasmuch  
as the author is a Security Index subject of that office  
under the name [Redacted]

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CAVALCADE OF BOOKS, TELEVISION BOOK REVIEW PROGRAM ON KNXT-TV,  
CHANNEL 2, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, SUNDAY, 3/9/58. "MASTERS  
OF DECEIT" BY J. EDGAR HOOVER REVIEWED BY [REDACTED]

"We have here a book on the subject of communism, and last week I told you that we were going to discuss two books today on the subject of communism and perhaps at the end put together our thinking about both of these books. This one, the first, is 'Masters of Deceit' by J. EDGAR HOOVER, the head, of course, of our FBI.

"I am happy to say that HOOVER has given us an objective book, a book that doesn't try to blacken anybody or doesn't try to produce too much fear although he does feel that the communist threat in this country, in its national movement, is something of which we must all be aware and cautious. He starts off with a discussion in three chapters of MARX's contribution to communism, of LENIN's, and STALIN's.

"He then comes to the founding of the Communist Party in this country in 1922 and the first charter from Moscow, pointing out very firmly from that time that the Communist Party was not an indigenous party growing up in the United States but was a dictated party from Moscow. He then goes into a discussion of who are communists, and why, and why do people leave the Communist Party? And he tells us many stories of individuals about whom he knows and their reasons.

"There is then a discussion of the organization of the Communist Party and how it functions and, perhaps of greatest importance to us, how the Communist Party in this country uses innocent people as dupes for their front organizations.

"Let's look at some of the kinds of things that the Communist Party pushes, and naturally they are able to find many innocent people to be for because they sound so noble-- increase trade with all countries including the communist bloc to provide hundreds of thousands of new jobs for the young people, outlaw all mass destruction weapons--atomic bombs, promote universal disarmament for peace, repeal all oppressive legislation and restore the Bill of Rights, appropriate more money for schools, community centers, etc.

"It goes on to state for window dressing they always support items desired by most of the people, lower taxes, higher wages, better housing, old age security, higher farm income. These are thoroughly legitimate interests. To support these aims and many others is not to be a communist. The Party is simply attempting to exploit such interests for its own selfish aims.

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"And this is important for us because the communists mistrust and dislike the liberal--the true liberal--because the liberal is trying to achieve these things within our democratic processes. The communists, of course, are using these things as fronts in order to stir up agitation, in order to stir up world propoganda, in order to divide the people of a community or of the nation.

"And so those of us who have worked in liberal causes are very conscious of the fact that we must continue to believe in the things we do believe in and work for them--not be scared off but at the same time make sure we are working within democratic principles.

"Here then is HOOVER's story, 'Masters of Deceit,' J. EDGAR HOOVER."

"MARXISM AND FREEDOM" BY [REDACTED] REVIEWED BY [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] PLUS A BRIEF INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

"Well, now, in great contrast to Mr. HOOVER, seated right here beside me is a young lady with a remarkable background. Actually she is in Southern California to lecture at some of our principal colleges and universities. Her name is [REDACTED] and she was formerly the secretary to LEON TROTSKY. Our own interest focuses here in her new book which is called 'Marxism and Freedom.'

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"Now I would just like to touch upon a highlight or two of this book. It is a book for the student as well as the general reader. It should be read with care. But central to it, its thinking, it seems to me, is the contention, the conviction on the part of the author, that the theories of KARL MARX still vary widely after one hundred years or so from the time of their presentation, have been distorted greatly in their application to functioning societies, and that this doctrine, which is fundamentally one of liberation for all men, has been twisted into an enslavement and further distorted in this country, where the author feels we are rushing along toward our own kind of totalitarianism and state capitalism. She believes that the movement still among the workers is what will shape the reliable society of the future and intellectuals must pay attention to this and base their theories upon it for this to be reliable.

"Now let's go back to the author, this [REDACTED]. Your name is so unusual--I love saying it."

[REDACTED]

"It's a lovely name."

[REDACTED]

"I want to ask you first, challenge you a bit, because in the book I find, and I just mention that, if the theory of the intellectual should be based upon direct observation of what the workers are doing and their own efforts then Marxism, something observed so long ago, why should this retain its validity?"

[REDACTED]

"Well, there are two reasons mainly--one is that much of which MARX has written especially say on automation, unemployment, and the totalitarian system against the communists--people don't know that

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[REDACTED] "he was against communism, but he wrote against it, and I reprinted one of the articles against the bulk of communism, is more appropos to the problems that face us today than the problems are in the daily press or even in STALIN's books.

"Take the book that has just been introduced by HOOVER. It to me is a very negative approach. You don't get anywhere by jailing people or by passing laws against thinking. The communists have found that out because their totalitarian systems are falling apart. We have had it in Hungary, and we have had it in Poland, and we will have it here soon. Now my approach and MARX's approach is the positive approach against the negative one of HOOVER. It is that people live and die for ideas. You must fight the communists in the global struggle for the struggle of minds with ideas of freedom. Now Marxism is a theory of liberation."

[REDACTED] "I would like to differ with you also. If you don't mind my putting you on the spot. I am sure you don't mind. I feel that the dynamic idea of our democracy and freedom of speech and rights for all people is the most dynamic idea that the world has ever seen, and your suggestion that in the thirties all the people who were working for equal opportunities were left wingers and fellow travelers I can't buy, frankly."

[REDACTED] "Well, first of all, it is greatly documented in many studies that the Communist Party made a shambles of independent liberal thought, and I believe it made a shambles of it not because you were searching for them but because you didn't have a comprehensive theory. We are all too proud of being pragmatists and then we don't go to the source of it which is the working class.

"I believe that the workers kept farther away from the Communist Party than did the intellectual. It's all documented both in my work and there was a Princeton study which shows how they have done. I believe that the present

[redacted] "struggle on their part for peace will once again get the liberals in a popular front unless the liberals learn that the only reason the communists parade around this false banner is because they are not Marxists, is because they know the power of attraction in all of the colonial world that Marxism has, and you have to know that in order to fight them with it."

[redacted] "I want to thank you for being here with us and bringing this vitality and interest to the program.

"We have been talking about and discussing with the author this new book of hers, which has very dynamic ideas--'Marxism and Freedom' by [redacted]

"Well, [redacted] you did fine on memorizing her name and pronouncing it. I think it is always a good idea for us to restudy any philosophy that seems to improve the world, but I must confess that I agree with you that Marxism having been written during the DICKENS period of the depression for the worker isn't really related to American workers today."

[redacted] "It seems to me that really in both of these points of view there is something--in the alignment of them--there is something still missing and that, it seems to me, is a great weapon against any kind of orthodoxy or any kind of merely defensive attitude which is the great creativity we have had in these very institutionalized things such as government and social reforms, which are still going forward and many things which I don't believe that Mr. MARX was able to foresee at all."

[redacted] "Well, and in the advancement of the American worker and his opportunity to share in the profits of the company--all of these were certainly not taken into his thinking.

"Well, it is a very vital kind of discussion that we have been having here today. I hope you have enjoyed it and we will be back with you now in just a moment more."

OFFICE OF DIRECTOR  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

March 17, 1958

The attached anonymous clipping  
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Hotel Seminole, Jacksonville,  
Florida, and postmarked from  
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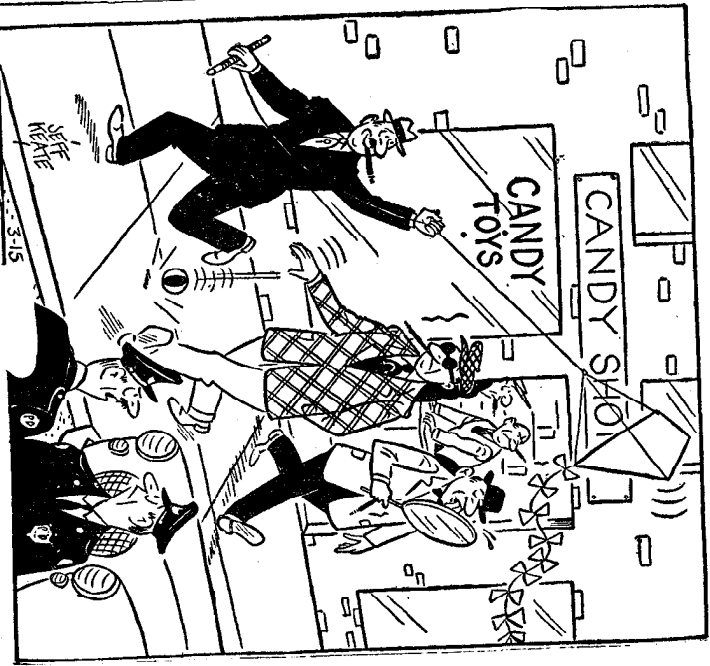
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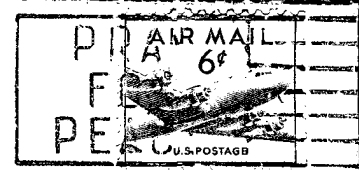
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*Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Director of F. B. I.  
Washington  
D.C.*



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March 18, 1958

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Mr.   
1894 Central Avenue  
Memphis 4, Tennessee

Dear Mr.

Your letter of March 11, 1958, has been received, and I want to thank you very much for your generous remarks regarding the FBI and my administration of its activities.

I am very happy to learn of your interest in my book, "Masters of Deceit," and it will be a pleasure to autograph your copy of it. You can mail it to me here at FBI Headquarters in Washington.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

REC'D MAIL ROOM  
MAR 18 1958

NOTE: Bufiles have no information identifiable with Mr.  His friend,  with whom the correspondent says he is very friendly, is a great admirer of the Director and has been effusive in his praise of "Masters of Deceit."

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- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
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- Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
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- Parsons \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
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- Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holloman \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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*[Handwritten signatures and initials]*

[Redacted]  
Registered Engineer  
1894 Central Avenue  
Memphis 4, Tennessee

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11 Mch. 1958

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I think you, with your organization have done more to safeguard the Welfare of our nation than any man living today, despite the many handicaps I know you have had. (but you did have [Redacted] assistance. I know [Redacted] Well.)

I have known many of your agents, here & elsewhere. Don Hostetter is one of the best, and a good friend. I am retired now, but I have worked on problems with Police Depts, here & elsewhere, and am very much interested in the work. Consequently my interest in what your Dept has, and is under difficulties, now is trying to do --

May I ask a favor?

I have your "F. B. I. " Story, and have just ordered your new book -- Will you autograph one of them for me, and tell me how to mail it? I will be forever grateful.

Most Sincerely

[Redacted Signature]

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REGISTERED ENGINEER  
1894 CENTRAL AVENUE  
MEMPHIS 4, TENNESSEE

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Mr. Tolson	_____
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Mr. Nease	_____
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Mrs. [redacted]  
Route 4  
Terrell, Texas

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Dear Mrs. [redacted]

Your letter of March 13, 1958, has been received, and I want to thank you very much for your kind comments regarding the FBI.

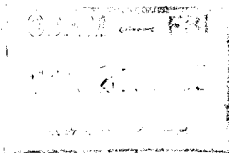
I do not know at this time when a paperback edition of my book, "Masters of Deceit," will be published; however, it is suggested that you contact your local public library for a copy to read.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Mrs. [redacted] is not identifiable in Bufiles.

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Terrell, Texas  
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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover--

Washington D. C.

Dear Sir--

I have long wanted to write you and tell you how much I appreciate your work, and all that you and your men do, and it is so disgusting to us, for the Supreme Court to make a great many decisions, in favor of criminals and convicted communists, after all the hard work you and your agents have done--why do they ?

Your department now, is the only part of our government, so to speak, that we can be proud of. The legislative, executive and judicial, have let us down, but not the F. B. I. We are proud of you and your work, and your men. I am so anxious to read your book "Masters of Deceit" I wonder if it will be printed with paper back, where it would be less than 5<sup>00</sup>? I know it is worth that amount, but I am a poor lady, and it is a little bit high for me. God bless you and all your men. Again I say we are proud of you and your record.

Sincerely

/s/

Mrs.

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3-12-58

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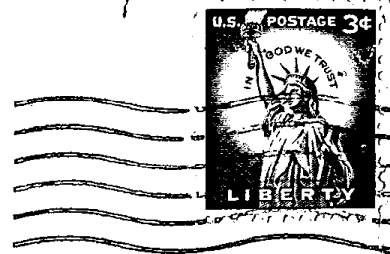
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Sincerely  
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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

TRUE COPY

March 13, 1958  
Pittsburgh, Penn.

Mr J. Edgar Hoover:

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It should open the eyes of alot of complacent people  
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I should like to keep the book and present it to my  
daughter as soon as she is old enough to understand it.

I myself in eight years Navel service have seen what  
Communism has done to some countries. And I appreciate all that  
you and your bureau has and is doing for people like my self and my  
family.

If what I ask is impossible I shall understand

I enclose a self address envelope for your answer

Thank You

I remain

/s/

Mr [redacted]  
1427 West North Avenue  
Pgh 33 Pa.

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*Pittsburgh*

*mail  
date 3-20-58  
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March 13, 1958  
Pittsburg, Pa.

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Boardman	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Nease	
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Mr. [redacted]  
1427 West 11th Avenue  
Pgh. Pa.

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Mr. [redacted]  
1427 West North Avenue  
Pittsburgh 33, Pennsylvania

AIRMAIL

Dear Mr. [redacted]

It was kind of you to write on March 13,  
1958, and I am pleased to learn that you found my book,  
"Masters of Deceit," of such interest. If you will send  
me your copy of the book, I will be very happy to auto-

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FBI  
COMM-FBI

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: The self-addressed, stamped envelope enclosed by the correspondent being utilized in reply. Bufiles reflect no information identifiable with Mr. [redacted] in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. For this reason, it is believed advisable that the book be autographed only when it is received.

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MAR 27 1958

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*[Handwritten signatures and notes]*



United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Date: March 17, 1958

To: Director, FBI ATTN: FOREIGN LIAISON

*CMB* From: Legat, Ottawa

Subject: "MEMOIRS OF BROGEM"

Memos 2-26-58 and 3-13-58 in captioned matter.

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Pursuant to instructions contained in routing slip dated 3-11-58, please be advised that the following five individuals, mentioned in mylet 2-26-58, will receive inscribed copies of the above captioned book:

1. [redacted] of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP);
2. Inspector [redacted] RCMP Liaison Officer at Headquarters in Ottawa who was formerly their liaison representative in Washington, D.C.;
3. Assistant Commissioner [redacted] a graduate of the FBI National Academy and presently in charge of "A" Division, RCMP, Ottawa;
4. The Honorable Livingston T. Merchant, U. S. Ambassador to Canada, U. S. Embassy, Ottawa, who is friendly to the Bureau. His daughter had summer employment with the Bureau at one time;
5. Colonel Walter L. Gultz, U. S. Army Attache, U. S. Embassy, Ottawa, who is very friendly toward the Bureau.

The other two books I purchased will be given to:

Inspector [redacted] who is in charge of Soviet independence matters, RCMP Headquarters;

Inspector [redacted] CIA Officer, "A" Division, RCMP, Ottawa

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It should be noted that the book is being published in Canada as well as in the United States, and is available at bookstores here. A review of it was carried in the "Ottawa Journal", March 8, 1958, which was very favorable, and a copy of the article was forwarded to the Bureau.